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MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

THE CHURCH AT SANDY CROSS,

Gates county, N. C. May 14—16, 1846.

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Thursday, May 14, 1846.

The Introductory was delivered by Elder G. M. Thompson, (in the absence of the brethren appointed to that duty) from Ps. 137. 5, 6: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem," &c. Theme—Christian's attachment to the church. After a short intermission the Delegates were called together by the Moderator of the last Association; prayer by Elder Delk. Brethren A. J. Askew and S. T. Bond, were selected as assistant Clerks. Letters from the Churches were then called for, from which the following table is prepared:

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Funds.
Ahoskie,	A J Askew, J B Slaughter, J Chamblee,	9			3	3		325	2,50
Antioch,	E Willey,* P Prichett,	6			1		3	74	1,50
Ballards Br'ge,	W White, C Bunch, J Boice,	16	2		1	4	4	347	2,50
Bethlehem,	T Hogwood, *W P Britton*, jr. H Jones,	1	3	1	4	2	3	114	2,00
Bethel,	E Felton, J Maddry, W M Fleetwood,	2			2	3	2	195	3,00
Buckhorn,	T D Vann, J H Gatlin, J W Barnes,*	4			2		2	74	1,50
Capehearts,	W Leary, J Hogwood, L Harden,	29	2			2	6	208	2,00
Cashie,	D Harrell, J S Tayloe,* W Folk,*	24	8		7	1	10	299	2,00
Coleraine,	J Nowell, J Downing, S White,	4			5	4	5	471	3,00
Conneconara,	E P Powell, E Pope,*	3	3				2	92	1,50
Connaritsa,	G Willeford, W W Mitchell, L O Myers,	1	2		1		4	213	2,00
Cool Spring,	J Carter, J M Matthews, M Howell,	4			2	1	1	180	1,75
Edenton,	T Waff, S T Bond, J T Waff,	6					4	186	2,00
Elizabeth C'y,	J Nash, J Scott, R Simson,	21		1		8	9	192	2,50
Free Chapel,	Total as per last returns.							18	
Great Fork,	A R Collins, C P Savage, J S Pierce,	7	2			1	2	85	1,00
Holly Grove,	H White, J S Mitchell, J Todd,		6		3		4	50	1,00
Lit. Alligator,	S Patrick,* J H Combs, [er,*	1			1	1	2	38	1,00
Meherrin,	G MThompson, H D Jenkins,* L Park-		1		5	3		340	2,00
Mid. Swamp,	H Speight, W Riddick, J Matthews,	21			3	2	2	165	1,50
Mt. Tabor,	R B Cobb, A Moore, T Barnes,	5	6		4	4	5	79	1,50
Piney Grove,	W Lee, E D B Howell, T D Rogers,	12	2		2	1	2	132	2,00
Pleasant G've,	G C Moore, J L Grimes, J P Harrell,	4	1		2	1	2	65	2,00
Potecasi,	L Cook,* T B Gatlin,* S Edwards,	5				4	7	229	2,00
Powell's P'nt.	Total as per last returns.							55	
Providence,	T Williams, J Dey, I Baxter,*			1			1	61	1,50

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Quankie,	Total as per last returns.							55	
Ramoth Gil'd,	M W JONES, *J D Stokely*, J Carver,	43	4			2	7	160	1,50
Republican,	T Cherry, W Bridger,		1		1	1		63	1,00
Roanoke Is'd,	A TWINE, J Etheridge,* J Johnson,	25				1	1	56	1,00
Rocky Hock,	J B Webb, R Lassiter, F Bunch,	1	1		3	3	4	126	1,50
Ross' M. H.,	M Morris, S Mizells, W J Mitchell,	4	2	1	10	3	3	247	2,00
Salem,	P JORDAN, G W Pendleton,* A Hollo-					1	2	41	1,00
Sandy Run,	A Rogers, W H Lee, S M'Daniel,* [well,*	6				2	3	177	2,00
Sandy Cross,	Q H Trotman, E N Riddick, J Riddick,	4		1	4		5	273	2,50
Sawyer's C'k,	E FORBES, L SANDERLIN, M Sanderlin,	29	2	3	3	2	9	207	2,00
Shady Grove,	M Caps, D West, H W Lee,	20	1	2		2	1	52	1,00
Shiloh,	*A Berry*, B Barce, S Leary,	23		1		5	3	274	2,50
Smith's Ch'h,	J G BARKLEY, C Stevenson, C White-	10	1		6	3	7	275	2,00
Sound Side,	J Halsey,* *T W Rayfield*, [head,*	2	1		1		1	26	1,00
Spence's M H,	E Burnham, E M Bright,	26	1	1	4	1	4	78	2,00
Yoppim,	J D Ferrell, W Benbury, B H Webb,					6		72	2,00
		378	52	12	81	77	132	6470	69,75

* Absent. Ordained ministers in small CAPITALS. Licentiates in *Italic*.

List of names being prepared, the roll was called and the Association proceeded to organization.

A private ballot was taken for Moderator of the Association the ensuing year, which resulted in the unanimous election of Dr. G. C. Moore.

Elder T. Crocker was recognised as a delegate from the Tar River Association and was invited to a seat.

Elder Delk, delegate from Concord Association, was invited to a seat.

Elder L. DuPre, a visiting minister, was also invited to a seat.

Elders Trotman, Thompson and Waff were appointed a committee of Arrangements.

Pastor and deacons of the church of this place were appointed a committee to arrange preaching until Lord's day.

Clerk was instructed to prepare certificates of ordination for Elders L. Sanderlin and Richard Jordan.

Elders Sanderlin, Trotman and Speight were appointed a committee to inquire into the expediency of ordaining bro. A. Berry, a candidate sent up from the church at Shiloh.

Association adjourned to 9 A. M. tomorrow. Prayer by Elder Speight.

Friday, May 15, 1846.

Association met: prayer by Elder Crocker. Roll was called. Elders Murfee and Doughtrey were present this morning and accredited as correspondents from the Va. Portsmouth Association.

Bro. Chas. W. Skinner was invited to a seat with us.

Committee of Arrangments reported—report received and committee discharged.

Committee on the expediency of ordaining bro. Berry reported favorably—report received and committee discharged.

Elder Crocker then proceeded to examine the candidate at the request of the Association, before the body, preparatory to ordination; which proving satisfactory, bro. Berry was declared a fit subject for ordination, and Elders Trotman, Forbes and Waff were appointed a presbytery to ordain him at Shiloh on Friday before the second Lord's day in June next.

Bro. R. B. Cobb was appointed to write a letter of correspondence to the Va. Portsmouth Association, and Elders Trotman, Waff, Thompson, Howell and Barkley to be the bearers.

Bro. Grimes was appointed to write the Tar River Association, and Elders Thompson, Speight, Barkley, and brethren J. Powell, L. Daniel and E. P. Powell to be the bearers.

Bro. S. T. Bond to write the Concord Association, and Elders Hardy, Thompson, brethren G. C. Moore and Exum Stevens to bear it.

Bro. Askew to write Union Association, and Eders Barclay, Harrell, and bro. Wheeler to bear it.

Elders Thompson, Waff and Forbes were appointed a committee on the state of Religion in the Association.

Bro. G. C Moore and Elders Trotman and Forbes were appointed a committee on the expediency of publishing a History of the Chowan Association.

Elders Sanderlin, Barkley, and bro. Askew were appointed a committee on the N. C. Baptist State Convention.

Elder Crocker, brethren Skinner and E. Felton were oppointed a committee on Wake Forest College.

Elders Trotman, Delk, and bro. Bond, committee on Missions.

Elders DuPre, Speight, and bro. Ferrell, committee on Bible Society.

Brethren Britton, Berry, and Elder Jordan, committee on Temperance.

Elder Crocker was then allowed an opportunity to lay before the Association the claims of Wake Forest College; after which subscriptions were solicited.

Brethren Ferrell, A. Moore and Dey were appointed a committee on Finance.

The Association then took a recess of half an hour.

On re-assembling the Financial committee made the following

REPORT:

Present contributions,		$69 75
Amount in the Treasury last year,		31 84
		$101 59
Contra.—Printing Minutes,	$20 00	
Transcribing do.	15 00	35 00
Balance now in Treasury,		$66 59

The report was received and committee discharged.

Resolved, That our next session be held with the church at Mt. Tabor, to commence on Friday before 3 Lord's day in May 1847.

Elder L. Sanderlin was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder Forbes his alternate.

Committee on the state of Religion made a verbal report; after which the Association resolved itself into a committee of the whole.—Elder Waff in the chair. While the committee sat very interesting and affecting remarks were made by different brethren, on the low state of religion in most of the churches, which we trust will be productive of good. On motion, the committee arose, and the Association resumed business.

On motion of Elder Thompson, the Association adjourned to 9 A. M, to-morrow. Prayer by Elder Thompson.

Saturday, May 16, 1846.

Association met this morning. Prayer by Elder Sanderlin.

Agreed to dispense with communion on Lord's day; and in future the communion shall be celebrated on Friday.

The next Ministers' and Decons' meeting is appointed to be held in Murfreesboro, to commence on Friday before the first Lord's day in November next. Elder Waff to preach the introductory discourse, and Elder Sanderlin the alternate.

Elders Crocker, DuPre and Delk, were selected to preach on Lord's day.

Elder Speight was appointed to preach the Conventional sermon before next Association.

Committee on Baptist State Convention reported—report received and committee discharged. See A in appendix.

Comittee on Wake Forest College reported—report received and committee discharged. See B in appendix.

Committee on Temperance reported—report received and committee discharged. See C in appendix.

Association then took a recess to hear the Conventional sermon, by Elder Sanderlin. After sermon collection amounting to $36 15 was taken up.

On re-assembling the committee on Missions reported—report received and committee discharged. See D in appendix.

Brethren E. Felton, M. Sanderlin, J. S. Mitchell, T. Barnes and J. L. Ferrell were appointed a committee in pursuance of the recommendation contained in the report on Missions.

Committee on the Bible Society reported—report received and committee discharged. See E in appendix.

Committee on History of this Association reported—report received and committee discharged. Se F in appendix.

Committee of publication, in pursuance of the recommen-

dation of committee on History, consists of bretren G. C. Moore, E. Felton, M. Sanderlin, J. S. Mitchell, T. Barnes, J. L. Ferrell and A. Berry.

Bro. Grimes presented a letter of correspondence to the Tar River Association, which was read and adopted.

Bro. Cobb presented a letter to the Va. Portsmouth Association, which was read and adopted.

Bro. Bond presented a letter to the Concord Association, which was read and adopted.

Bro. Askew presented a letter to the Union Association, which was read and adopted.

The following quere was ordered to be spread on the Minutes for discussion at our next session :

"Upon whom did the government of the churches devolve in the days of primitive christianity ?"

The following brethren were elected members of the Executive Committee the ensuing year : L. Bond and T. Barnes for Bertie Union Meeting ; C. W. Skinner and W. Stallings for Yoppim Union Meeting ; I. Baxter and M. Sanderlin for Camden and Currituck Union Meeting.

Elders Forbes, Speight, Barkley, L. Sanderlin, and brethren Stallings and Wheeler, were chosen as delegates to the next session of the Baptist State Convention.

Resolved, That 2000 copies of these Minutes be printed, and that Elder Nowell distribute them in Bertie Union Meeting, bro. Stallings in Yoppim, Elder Forbes in the Camden and Currituck, and bro. Halsey in Washington and Tyrrell Union Meetings.

Ordered that the biography of Elder Jno. Harrell deceased, be appended to these Minutes.

Elder Trotman was chosen to represent this Association in the Southern Baptist Convention to meet in Richmond on Wednesday before the second Lord's day in June next.

Resolved, That we do, as a body, return thanks to our Heavenly Father for the peace and harmony that has pervaded our body during its present session.

Resolved, That the graetful acknowledgments of this Association be expressed to our friends at this church for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained this Association.

Adjourned. Prayer and praise by Elder Trotman.

(*Attest*) S. J. WHEELER, Cl'k.

G. C. Moore, *Moderator*.

LORD'S DAY.

On Lord's day the word was admininistered by Elders Murfee, Crocker and Delk, to an immense auditory, and we hope that great good may follow their efforts.

APPENDIX.

A.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The Committee to whom was referred the claims of the Baptist State Convention, having given the subject a short investigation beg leave to report the following: That the three objects which the Convention have under their patronage deserve to be more liberally sustained by the denomination.—We would recommend that the Home Mission and Education Departments be most liberally sustained. We consider that the future advancement of the Foreign Missionary cause, depends in a great measure, upon the manner in which we sustain the Home Mission. We further believe that the time has come when a more enlightened ministery is called for by the churches, and to cccomplish their wishes, the Education Department ought to be fully sustained by the churches throughout the State.

Therefore Resolved, That we recommend that all the ministers shall make greater exertions to raise a sufficient amount of funds from their respective churches, to sustain the Convention in the Home Mission and Education Departments.

LEMUEL SANDERLIN, *Ch'm.*
JOSEPH G. BARKLEY,
ANDREW J. ASKEW. } *Committee.*

B.

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

We, your Committee, whose business it is to take into consideration the claims of the Wake Forest College, beg leave to report. The Wake Forest College has claims particularly on the Baptist denomination, of such a nature that cannot be easily resisted, because it is a creature of the denomination, brought into existence by a few enterprising individuals—those individuals have sustained and defended it in the midst of much opposition, and under God, have made it what it is—and we feel charged with astonishment when we see Baptists sending their sons by Wake Forest to Chapel Hill, or to other Colleges under the supervision of other denominations. It has claims also on society in general by reason of its cheapness. An education can be obtained at that place 25 per cent. lower than at any other College that we have any knowledge of in the United States, and an education equally sound

as at any other College. It has claims on the community at large on the account of its morality. It is a lamentable fact, known to all parents and guardians, that up to the time of the founding of the W. F. College that they could not give their son or ward an education without spoiling their morals. At W. F. College the morals of the young men are preserved and improved; every method is adopted, and every means used to prevent immorality or dissipation. Also, in point of its pecuniary matters it has claims. In erecting the College building, and defraying other expenses, they are in debt, and some four or five of the trustees are now bound and sued for the sum of ten thousand dollars which they must pay next fall; and when we recollect that these brethren were no more interested in the welfare of the College than the rest of us, we ask our brethren, and the friends of education in general, if they will stand by, look on, and see these brethren struggle alone without putting forth their hands to their relief—we believe not.

They have claims in view of the fact, that, last fall the Board of Trustees elected Dr. Hooper President of said College, and Dr. Hooper accepted the appointment upon the conditions that the College debts be paid, which thing will probably be done. These events are so strongly anticipated that it has changed the prospects of the College much for the better. There has been an increase of students from last term from 50 to 80, and every thing at the place appears to be going up, and exertions are making with considerable success to pay the College debts—a struggle once for all.

Respectfully submitted,

T. CROCKER, *Ch'm.*

C.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee believe this to be a subject of vast importance. Past experience has clearly demonstrated that the use of ardent spirits is a great hindrance to the cause of the gospel. How often have we seen professors of religion, instead of thinking and talking of heavenly things, mingle with the rabble at the grogshop and participating in their unhallowed and profane acts—how degrading and humiliating the scene.

The scriptures assure us "that no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God." Their language in regard to this odious vice cannot be misunderstood. Seeing, then, intemperance and the religion of Christ are directly opposed to each other, and that their tendancy is to destroy each other, christians are bound to use all gospel means to put down the first that the latter may abound. This awful vice seems to have increased for two or three years past; and just in proportion to its increase has the spirit of our Master seemed to depart from among us. These

things ought not to be. Let us then use all our influence to produce a change—to affect that change let us act as body.—And your committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That every member of the churches composing this Association, be requested to discontinue any practice which may tend to intemperance of any kind.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. P. BRITTON, *Ch'm.*

D.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Your committee to whom was referred the importance or necessity of missionary operations in our own bounds beg leave to report. The subject of missions cannot be considered of little importance as it embraces the great subject of preaching the gospel, which is heaven's arrangement to send forth light and truth to the nations of the earth. We therefore believe it to be our duty, and we should esteem it our high privilege, to unite our efforts in promoting this great and good cause: but although we would regard the whole world as the field to be cleared and cultivated, yet our own borders at this time demand our special attention. In years passed we have enjoyed the labours of the servants of God who were employed to travel and preach amongst our churches; but of late, from some cause, the subject of missions has been neglected and a blight has succeeded. This much we learn by reference to the letters sent up from the churches—a great majority of which complained of coldness and lukewarmness, and mortifying to tell—that only about 370 have been added to the 42 churches composing our Association. During the past year 7 have had no additions. From these facts we are convinced of the necessity of renewing our efforts in this good cause. Your committee would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of —— be appointed to employ immediately two suitable ministers; one to labour in the Eastern, and the other in the Western parts of the Association, and make the necessary arrangements with the churches for their support, and to enter immediately upon their fields of labor.

J. DELK.

E.

REPORT ON THE BIBLE SOCIETY.

Your committee on the Bible Society beg leave to submit the following: When we consider the importance of the Bible cause we are at a loss for language to express our feelings on the importance of the wider circulation of the scriptures in our

own and foreign lands. All are ready to admit that all our hopes for future happiness are based upon the truths which are brought to light in God's holy word. What would have been the condition of the world at this time but for the influence of the gospel upon the hearts and consciences of men? We, as a nation, owe all our civil and religious privileges under God, to the influence of his holy word upon mankind. Where the Bible is not known, and men, as a matter of course, do not act up to its divine requirements, none of the advantages are enjoyed and appreciated by them, we so much prize. What is to civilize and christianize this world? The word of God alone can do it. Are we not then called on to do more in the future, for the wider circulation of the holy scriptures? Certainly we are. And what excuse can we render to God for not having done more to give a knowledge of His holy will to our fellow creatures? We cannot say he has not given us the means. He has placed in our hands, as a domination, the greatest abundance of means to accomplish the object, if we but had the inclination to use them. But there is another consideration which seems to your committee, should stimulate us to greater exertions as a denomination in this great and good work—it is this: That if ever the heathen world have the pure and unadulterated word of God given to them the *Baptist Church* must do it. What was the cause of our denomination being driven from the Am. Bible Society? Because our missionaries would not consent to conceal a part of God's holy will from those nations to whom he had sent them to make his will known. For to transfer a word when it can be translated, is virtually to conceal the truth and promulgate an error. The Baptist missionaries, during the last 40 years, have translated and printed the scriptures, in whole or in part, into the language of more than 400,000,000 of the human family in Asia. In 44 distinct languages of those millions, 434,465 volumes have been issued. But, alas! how inadequate the supply, which less than a half a million of such volumes furnish for all that multitude—scarce one copy to eight millions of souls.

Therefore, Resolved, That we renew our efforts for a wider circulation of the scriptures among the destitute in our own land, and also throughout the whole world; that the long prayed for time may soon come when the heathen shall be the inheritance of our Lord Jesus Christ, and all lands see his glory. LEWIS DUPRE, *Ch'm.*

F.

REPORT ON THE HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The committee raised on the subject of the History of the Chowan Association, having had the subject under consideration, respectfully report. Your committee are duly impressed

with a sense of the importance of the subject. It is said of History, that it is "Philosophy teaching by example." It shows us events that may have transpired in connexion with the subject under consideration. It portrays the causes and consequences of human actions; and, if faithful, it strips the mask from the deceiver, whilst it does justice to the honest and patriotic. It enables us to appropriate all the benefits of past experience, and thereby avoid the rocks and shoals upon which others may have split. If, then, the example set by our predecessors and our own acts are likely to be profitable to ourselves and our successors, would it not be well to place them in some form most likely to descend to those who may come after us? Upon this point are we not all agreed? But how stands our own case just now? The Chowan Association has no durable record of her acts or her principles; and it is a fact well established, that but one known file of her Minutes (commencing with her organization and descending in regular gradation to the present time) is to be found on earth. If accident or design should destroy this file to what source should we go for future reference? How could we ever afterwards repair so serious a loss? The question then arises, with particular interest to us of the Chowan Association, shall we take steps to perpetuate our record? Shall we preserve our History and transmit to posterity a faithful and true account of the rise and progress of the denomination within our bounds? If we answer these questions affirmatively we have no time to lose—but let us address ourselves at once to the good work. Let our opinions be no longer distorted, our practices misrepresented and our motives maligned. Let us place them in such an attitude before the world, that "he that runs may read." It is due to ourselves, to our successors, and to the great cause in which we are embarked, to place our History in such a position that neither accident nor design can affect it. We would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1st. *Resolved*, That —— brethren be appointed a committee of publication, whose duty it shall be to superintend the compilation of a History of the Chowan Association, its printing, binding and distribution to its patrons.

2d. *Resolved*, That the deacons of each church within our bounds be constituted a committee for their respective churches, and requested to ascertain how many copies of said History can be disposed of within the limits of their congregations at one dollar per volume, and that they report the result of their labors to the Chairmanof the publishing committee as soon as proper information can be obtained.

G. C. MOORE, *Ch'm.*

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Mt. Tabor, Hertford Co., N. C., May 13, 1847.

The Introductory was delivered by Elder Sanderlin, from Philippians 1. 8 to 10. "For God is my record," &c.

After a short intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator of the last Association. Prayer by Elder Amos J. Battle.

Brethren Saml. T. Bond and W. D. Pritchard were selected as assistant Clerks.

Letters from the churches were then read, from which the following is a synopsis:

Ahoskie was constituted in 1804, originally a branch of the church at Meherrin, located in Hertford county. Have enjoyed a glorious revival during the past year, which resulted in the addition of 34 persons to the church. Express great regard and confidence for their bishop, Jno. Nowell, who labors for them every 4th Lord's day and Saturday before.—During the summer and fall they enjoyed the ministrations of Elder Delk.

Statistics.—Baptized 34; excluded 3; dismissed by letter 5; deceased 5; received by letter 1. In fellowship—whites 265, colored 90—total 355. Delegates—Joseph Holloman, Jno. L. Godwin, Abner J. Holloman:* and send $2 to the fund. This church, during the year, has erected a commodious and comfortable house, greatly to their credit.—A. J. Askew, Clerk. P. Office, Pitchlanding.

Antioch, in Halifax county, was constituted in 1841. In October last held a camp-meeting, during which many professed to have found peace. Anticipate holding another on Thursday before the 1st Lord's day in October next, and affectionately invite ministering brethren to come and assist.

Statistics.—Baptized 13; dismissed 1. In fellowship, 56 whites, 26 colored—total 82. Delegates—*Leonard Daniel*, E. Willey,* and M. Quarles—$2 dollars to the fund.—L. Daniel, Clerk, Heathsville.

Ballard's Bridge, in Chowan county, constituted in 1771; under the care of Elder Wm. White; days of meeting 2d Lord's day in each month. Elder Nixon and others preach for them occasionally. They complain of coldness, but still they "dwell together in love."

Statistics.—Baptized 12; received by letter 2; restored 1; dismissed by letter 1, excluded 3; deceased 10. In fellowship, 293 whites, 52 colored—total 346. Delegates—Willis Welch, H. Simpson, *J. N. Goodwin*—$2,50 to the fund.—Thos. Satterfield, Clerk, Ballard's Bridge.

Bethlehem, constituted in 1836, in Hertford county; meets on 2nd Lord's days; Elder Hogwood and brother Wm. P. Britton, jr., labor for them in word and doctrine. On the 16th of October last, they commenced a series of meetings, which continued for several days, and proved a great blessing. They send up brother Britton and recommend him for ordination.

Statistics.—Baptized 21; received by letter 2; dismissed 6; excluded 1; deceased 5. In fellowship, whites 97, colored 24—total 121. Delegates—Thos. Hogwood, *Wm. P. Britton, jr.*, and H. M. Jones—$2 to the fund.—A. Thomas, Clerk, Pitchlanding.

Bethel, under care of Elder Trotman; meets for worship on 3d Lord's days; constituted in 1806; situated in Perquimons co.; enjoy peace, and solicit an interest in the prayers of God's people. Delegates, Jno. Mardre,* R. Felton and W. M. Fleetwood*—$3 dollars to the fund. Baptized 20; received by letter 1; excommunicated 5; deceased 3. In fellowship, 179 whites, 14 colored—total 193.—W. M. Fleetwood, Clerk, Edenton.

Buckhorn, lies in Hertford co.; is under the care of Elder E. Howell, who labors for them on 2nd Lord's days; constituted in Nov. 1835. Have not as yet commenced the Sunday School, but express some anxiety on the subject, as we hope all our churches feel. Delegates—J. W. Barnes, T. D. Vann and J. H. Gatlin—$1,50 to the fund. Statistics the same as last year, and no change. In fellowship, whites 40, colored 34—total 74.—Jethro W. Barnes, Clerk, Murfreesboro'.

Capeheart's, meets on 2nd Lord's day for worship; Elder Henry White preaches for them; brethren West Leary and Edward Pierce attend them also, manifestly to their benefit; situated in Bertie co.; constituted in 1823. Church complain of coldness, but are grateful that they enjoy peace. Delegates—*Wm. H. Pierce*, *West Leary* and W. M. Hogwood—$2 to the fund. Baptized 16; received by letter 1; restored 2; dismissed 1; deceased 2. In fellowship, whites 142, colored 79—total 221.—Chas. Capeheart, Clerk, Merry Hill.

Cashie, in Bertie county, constituted 1789, meets on 1st Lord's days, under the ministration of Elder David Harrell. During the year they have experienced some refreshing seasons, and have been cheered by the "praise and prayer of newborn souls." Statistics.—Baptized 24; received by letter 1; restored 1; excommunicated 2; deceased 10—total 295. Delegates—David Harrell, *Edward Leicester*,* Henry Wilkes—$2 to the fund.—Wm. Folk, Clerk, Windsor.

Coleraine, in Bertie co., constituted 1789, meets on 3rd Lord's days, under the pastoral care of Elder Jno. Nowell. Since the last Association they have been blessed with an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and many have been added to the church. Statistics.—Baptized 47; received by letter 7; restored 1; dismissed 3; excluded 12; deceased 7. In fellowship, 280 whites, 177 colored—total 457. Delegates—Jno. Nowell, Solomon White, Leml. Valentine—$3 to the fund.—Jos. W. Beasly, Clerk, Coleraine.

Connaritsa, in Bertie co., constituted 1790, meet on the 1st Lord's days, relate nothing interesting, are in peace, and trying to promote the Redeemer's cause in supporting missionary operations. Statistics.—Baptized 1; restored 1; dismissed 1; excluded 1; deceased 5. In fellowship, 159 whites, 49 colored—total 208. Delegates—W. W. Mitchell, W. Dunning, Jno. M. Holladay—$2 to the fund. Stephen Bazemore Bishop.—Willie Dunning, Clerk, St. Johns.

Conneconara, in Halifax co., constituted 1833, meets on the 4th Lord's days, presents a cold and dreary aspect, asks the prayers of the Association and needs them most sadly. Statistics.—Received by letter 2; expelled 3. In fellowship, 37 whites, 45 colored—total 82. Delegates—*Jesse Powell*, E. Pope and E. P. Powell—$1,50 to the fund. J. G. Barkley Bishop.—Jesse Powell, Clerk.

Cool Spring, time of meeting 1st Lord's day, located in Gates co., constituted 1829, are undergoing a wintry season. During the fall held a meeting of days, when many were made to rejoice. Statistics.—Baptized 7; received by letter 1; restored 1; excluded 3; deceased 3—total 183. Delegates—Henry Carter, Saml. Harrell, Jno. Matthews. Henry Speight, Bishop.—J. M. Matthews, Clerk, Gatesville.

Edenton, in Chowan co., under care of W. L. Hartson, who ministers every Lord's day to the flock, was constituted 1816. They communicate nothing of a pleasing nature, and mourn that their harps are hung upon the willows. Statistics.—Baptized 16; received by letter 2; dismissed 2; deceased 3—total 199. Delegates.—Thos. Waff, S. T. Bond and M. T. Gregory; and $2 to the fund.—S. T. Bond, Clerk, Edenton.

Elizabeth City in Pasquotank Co. Recommend bro. Alfred Norton for ordination if it be expedient. Are now destitute of a Meeting House, but hope to enter their new one in 3 or 4 months. This church was constituted in 1786; is under the pastoral care of Elder Lem. Sanderlin, who labors for them on 4th Lord's days. Statistics.—Baptized 20; received "by experience" 1; dismissed 3; deceased 6; excluded 2. In fellowship—whites 182; colored 20; total 202. The member received "by experience", was an individual who asserted that he had been baptized into the fellowship of a regular Baptist Church, and had held a letter of dismission, but said he had lost it. Cases of this kind may sometimes occur, which render the course pursued by the church necessary; but the safer plan is to pursue the regular plan adopted by all our churches. Delegates—R. Simpson, G. Jennings, Wm. D. Prichard—$2 50 to the fund.—Wm. D. Prichard, Clerk, Elizabeth City.

Free Chapel.—No delegation, nor letter from this Church. It is with pain that we notice the fact that this church has not set with us since 1839. The Association can sympathise with weak and feeble members; but at same time would recommend that some effort be used. A letter might at least be sent annually. Located in Washington Co., constituted in 1833. Name of Clerk unknown. Post office is Cool Spring. Let us hope that the measures adopted by our Association for the benefit

of these destitute churches, will be blessed to their strengthening and enlargement.

Great Fork is the only church in our Association that is out of the State; it lies in Nansemond Co. Va., and is under the care of Elder Henry Speight; meets for worship on 3d Lord's day and Saturday before. Was blessed with a "refreshing from the Lord" in July, during which several were added to the church. Delegates—Oliver Harrell,* O. P. Savage and W. Rogers, with no funds because the biography of Elder Harrell was not appended to the minutes.

Statistics—baptized 15; expelled 1—whites 80; colored 18: total 98. This church was constituted in 1833.—Abel R. Collins, Clerk, Somerton, Va.

Holly Grove in Bertie Co., was constituted in 1801; meets on 1st Lord's days and Saturdays before, under the care of Elder Henry White; rejoices in making her annual communication, because of what the Lord has done for her during the past year. In November the Bertie Union Meeting held her session with this church; the meeting was protracted, and resulted in a most interesting revival, at the close of which nine persons were added to the church.

Delegates—Henry White, J. S. Mitchell, W. J. Freeman.

Statistics—baptized 10; received by letter 1; dismissed 1; deceased 2—whites 35; colored 23; total 58—and $1 to the fund.—Jas. S. Mitchell, Clerk, Windsor.

Meherrin in Hertford Co. Origin of this church is hid in the "remote depths of antiquity." We find mention made of her in 1735.—Meets on 1st and 3d Lord's days, under the care of Elder Thompson. In her letter rejoices because of an interesting revival during the year.

Delegates—G. W. Thompson, Silas Parker, and Jacob Parker; $2 to the fund.

Statistics—baptized 27; received by letter 1; retored 2; dismissed 6; deceased 2—whites 196, colored 170; total 366. Two Sunday Schools, 10 teachers, 60 scholars; 325 vols. in library. Church has determined to publish her history, which will constitute an interesting volume, and its perusal well calculated to do good.—S. J. Wheeler, Clerk, Murfreeboro'.

Middle Swamp in Gates Co., was constituted in 1806. Elder Speight pastor. Has had no revival, but is in peace. Hopes soon to commence a Sunday School. Baptized 13; received by letter 1; excluded 1; deceased 3; total 175.

Delegates—Henry Speight, Charles E. Ballard, Willie Riddick, and $1 50 to the fund.—Willie Riddick Clerk, Gatesville.

Mt. Tabor in Hertford Co., under the care of Elder Trotman; meets on 4th Lord's day and Saturday before. Was constituted 1839—has no very interesting matter to communicate, enjoys peace—baptized 2; received by letter 2; dismissed 11; excluded 1; deceased 1—white 64, colored 9; total 73. Delegates—David Gatling, R. B. Cobb, and Wm. Darden; and $1 50 to the fund.—A. W. Darden Clerk, Murfreesboro.'

Mt. Zion: at request of the church, this name was adopted instead of

that by which she has been heretofore known (Little Alligator.) It is gratifying to observe that a sound public sentiment is pervading the community in respect to the naming of churches. This church was constituted in 1837 in Tyrrell Co. Meets on 4th Lord's days and Saturday before. Selby Patrick Pastor. Complains of feebleness in herself, and in her aged bishop, and begs the brethren in the ministry to come to their help. It is hoped that the steps taken by the Association will tend to build up this, and other weak churches around her. Baptized 12; received by letter 1; deceased 3; whites 34; colored 9—total 43. Delegates—Selby Patrick,* Jno. H. Combs,* E. P. Welson*—$1 to the fund.—E. P. Welson, Clerk, Columbia.

Piney Grove, in Gates co., was constituted 1827. Edward Howell is her bishop. Days of meeting 4th Lord's day and Saturday before. She rejoices in memory of the showers of divine mercy, received during the past year; and mourns the loss of several pious members by the "relentless hand of death." Delegates—Edward Howell,* E. D. B. Howell, Wm. H. Sears—$2 to the fund. Baptized 7; received by letter 1; excluded 5; deceased 3; whites 76; colored 56—total 132.—E. D. B. Howell, Clerk, South Quay, Va.

Pleasant Grove, in Hertford co., constituted in 1837, meets on 1st Lord's day and Saturday before, under the care of Elder Nowell. Is passing through a wintery season, but looks forward with hope. Delegates—H. J. White, G. C. Moore, A. J. Perry—$2 to the fund. Baptized 2; received by letter 1; dismissed 1; excommunicated 1; whites 57; colored 9—total 66. Their Sunday School contains 14 teachers, 78 scholars, and 190 volumes in the library.—Wm. S. Taylor, Clerk, St. Johns.

Potecasi has enjoyed "general peace" since the last session of the Association; is located in Northampton co.; constituted 1808. Geo. M. Thompson is their Bishop. Delegates—Isaac Baum, Morris Baum and Silas Edwards—$1,50 to the fund. Days of meeting 2d Lord's day and Saturday before. Baptized 24; dismissed 1; excommunicated 4; deceased 5—total 243.—Thos. B. Gatling, Clerk, Jackson.

Powell's Point, in Currituck co., was constituted in 1804; a feeble church, but her condition might be improved if the members would exert themselves. Elder Twine is their Pastor, and preaches for them occasionally; and they complain that ministers do not visit them. Do they use efforts to induce ministers to do so? We have not seen a delegate from P. Point in five years. Where is the wrong? Will grain grow in the field of him who will not plough? Did the Lord bless Israel when they refused to come up to His solemn feasts at Jerusalem? Awake! brethren, awake!! Delegates—Malachi Corbell,* W. S. Harrison,* R. Meekins*—$1 to the fund. Baptized 3; received by letter 2; deceased 2—total 19.—W. S. Harrison, Clerk, Powell's Point.

Providence, in Currituck co., was constituted in 1826; under the care of Evan Forbes. Their meeting in July was protracted and proved a great blessing to the church. Days of meeting 4th Lord's day and Sat-

urday before. Delegates—Isaac Baxter, sen.,* Joshua W. Baxter and Tully Williams.* Baptized 29; dismissed 2; deceased 1—total 87, all whites. $1,50 to the fund.—Joshua W. Baxter, Clerk, Indiantown.

Quankie, in Halifax co., constituted in 1839. Elder Barkley has supplied this church with the word and ordinances some years since. We have had no delegates from her since 1843. Such apathy is to be regretted, as it must tend ultimately to the spiritual declension of any church. Returns in 1843 were, whites 35, colored 20—total 55.—H. Fulgum, Clerk.

Ramoth Gilead in Pasquotank Co., was constituted in 1809. L. Sanderlin their bishop—administers to the flock on 3d Lord's days and Saturdays before. In August last the church was greatly blessed in a protracted meeting. Delegates—M. W. Jones,* J. D. Stokely,* Job Carver; $1 50 to the fund. Baptized 31; received by letter 2; restored 1; dismissed 2; excluded 5; deceased 2—whites 103, colored 82—total 185. Asks the Association to sit with her next year. Alston McPherson Clerk, South Mills.

Republican in Bertie Co., was constituted in 1834—sent us neither delegate nor letter. Such remissness is rather unusual in this church—she is not strong, but we should recollect that the body will become weaker by being entirely inactive. Brethren read, prayerfully, Rev. II. 1. to 7. Total in 1846 were 63. A. Cherry was Clerk, Windsor.

Roanoke Island, on the island of that name in Currituck Co., was constituted in 1807; seems to have forgotten her friends this year. We received no tidings from her at all. A while since she awoke from her apathy and she was blessed, raised up her head among her sisters, rejoiced in our councils last year. See John vi. 67. Her numbers then were 56. Bishop A. Twine, P. Office, Powell's Point.

Rocky Hock in Chowan Co., was constituted in 1825. Days of meeting on 1st Lord's days and Saturday before. B. Nixon pastor. The October meeting was protracted with glorious results. There exists an unfortunate difficulty in the church which is progressing, it is hoped, to a peaceful settlement. Delegates, J. B. Webb,* F. Bunch,* R. R. Felton; $1 50 to the fund. The Sunday School contains 6 teachers and 40 scholars. Baptized 42; received by letter –; restored 1; dismissed 1; excommunicated 1; deceased 1—whites 158, colored 6—total 164. R. R. Felton, Clerk, Edenton.

Ross' M. H. in Bertie Co., was constituted in 1804. Thos. Hogwood pastor. Her letter is of a most cheering nature. The September meeting was protracted 10 days, to the great good of the community.—More highly favored than any of the churches in additions. Luke xii. 48. Delegates, H. W. White, W. J. Mitchell, H. White. Baptized 67; received by letter 1; restored 7; dismissed 3; excluded 8—deceased 3; total 308—$2,25 to the fund.—M. L. Mizell, Clerk, Windsor.

Salem in Pasquotank Co., meets on 3d Lord's day and Saturday before, under the charge of Elder Forbes. Was constituted in 1790. Complains that her congregations are small, and a spirit of indifference seems

to pervade the whole; awful state. May not this be the cause of the low estate of this venerable church? Once amongst the foremost and influential of our churches, Salem now mourns her desolate condition. Cry in the language of the prophet, (Isaiah LI. and 9,) then shall "thy peace be as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea."—Delegates—Geo. Pendleton, Prichard Jordan—$1 to the fund. Received by letter 1; dismissed 1; deceased 3—total 38.—E. H. Perkins, Clerk, Elizabeth City.

SANDY CROSS, in Gates co., under the pastoral care of Elder Trotman, who administers to the church on 1st Lord's days and Saturday before; was constituted in 1828. Church is increasing in intelligence and piety, and "is in peace." Delegates—Q. H. TROTMAN, W. Stallings and J. H. Riddick—$2 50 to the fund. Baptized 4; received by letter 3; restored 1; dismissed 2; excluded 6; whites 185, colored 17—total 202.—Jesse R. Kee, Clerk, Mintonsville.

SANDY RUN, in Bertie co., was constituted in 1750. A. M. Craig, bishop. Days of meeting, 4th Lord's days and Saturday before. Complains that there are among them "those who profess to love Christ, and do not devote that time to his cause which they should." Her sad complaint uttered among so many letters of rejoicing from sister churches, reminded us of the lament of erring Israel (Isaiah xxiv. 16.) Let us look up and hope for brighter days on this ancient heritage of our Lord. The Sabbath School was to have been commenced the 3d Lord's day in May. These useful institutions, properly cherished and aided with good libraries, have effected great good; and may yet prove a blessing to old Sanday Run. Delegates—A. M. CRAIG, Wm. Lee, A. Rogers—$1 50 to the fund. Baptized 8; received by letter 1; dismissed 6; excluded 3; deceased 2; whites 63; colored 112—total 175.—Turner Horn, Clerk, Britton's Store.

SAWYER'S CREEK, receives the word and ordinances on 2d Lord's days and Saturday before, at the hands of Elder Trotman. Was constituted in 1790, in Camden co. Have had "some refreshing seasons from the presence of the Lord." Their peace has not been uninterrupted. If the Association should deem him qualified, they recommend bro. Dossey Sanderlin for ordination. Baptized 8; received by letter 4; dismissed 4; deceased 3; excluded 1; whites 168; colored 35—total 203. Delegates—LEML. SANDERLIN, *Dossey Sanderlin*, Jno. Humphries—$2 to the fund.—J. B. Morgan, Clerk, Indiantown.

SHADY GROVE, in Currituck co., was constituted in 1829. Elder Prichard Jordan ministers to her in holy things, on 2d Lord's days. Delegates—Moses Capps, D. W. Lee. Baptized 25; received by letter 3; excluded 1; deceased 6—total 73—75 cents to the fund.—H. Mathias, Clerk, Currituck C. H.

SHILOH is probably the oldest church in the State; was constituted in 1757 or before, in Camden co.; under the spiritual care of Elder Forbes, who preaches for the church on 1st Lord's days. Delegates—A. BERRY, J. Watson and B. Barco.* Baptized 5; dismissed 2; excluded 2; de-

ceased 1; whites 238; colored 39—total 277—$2 50 to the fund.—Simeon Burgess, Clerk, Shiloh.

SMITH'S CHURCH, in Northampton co., was constituted in 1823. Elder Thompson ministers to them on 4th Lord's days. Delegates—C. Whitehead, Kinchen Stevens and T. Gay. Baptized 15; received by letter 1; dismissed 1; excluded 2; deceased 3; whites 258; colored 57—total 315—$2 50 to the fund.—Isaac Peele, Clerk, Jackson.

SOUND SIDE, in Tyrrell co., was constituted in 1831. Have had no minister during the year past. The pulpit has been occupied by ministers of other denominations. Delegates—Joseph Halsey,* Jno. Rhodes.* Baptized 2; whites 26; colored 2—total 28.—Clerk's name not appended to the letter.

SPENCE'S M. H. attends the ministry of Elder Sanderlin, on 2d Lord's days; was constituted in 1829 in Camden co. In the fall a meeting of 8 days was held, which proved a great blessing. Delegates—Cary Spence and J. S. Jones. Baptized 7; restored 2; dismissed 1; excluded 4; deceased 3; whites 45; colored 34—total 79—$1 to the fund. Bro. Thos. Rayfield is recommended for ordination.—Joseph S. Jones, Clerk.

VASSEL'S M. H., formerly an arm of Smith's church, in Northampton co., but was constituted 8th Dec. 1844. Elder Hardee officiates for them in holy things on 2d Lord's days. Delegates—WM. H. HARDEE, P. H. Stevenson and Jas. R. Kee.* Whites 26, colored 18—total 44—$1 to the fund.—J. T. Barham, Clerk, Jackson.

YOPPIM mourns sadly over her destitute condition; her bishop having left them without any previous notice. Discipline however is kept up. This is the oldest church in Chowan co.; constituted in 1775; meets for worship on 1st Lord's days. Delegates—Wm. Benberry, Jno. L. Ferrill and J. L. Pettijohn*—$1 to the fund. Baptized 2; dismissed 1; excluded 3; deceased 1; whites 66; colored 3—total 69. The prayers of the Association are asked, that the Lord would send them a faithful pastor. Have appointed Friday before the 1st Lord's day in August next as a day of humiliation and prayer to God, and requests the Association to appoint that day to be observed by all our churches.—B. H. Webb, Clerk pro tem, Edenton.

Those marked thus * were absent; those in SMALL CAPITALS are ordained ministers; those in *italics* are licentiates.

Summary.

Churches,	43	Deceased,	106	Scholars,	600
Baptized,	591	Licentiates,	14	Minutes	$63 50
Received by letter,	68	Whites (not complete)	2692	Home Missions,	400 00
Restored,	21	Colored (not complete)	2006	Convention,	332 33
Bishops,	27	Total,	6430	Bible Society,	240 53
Dismissed,	74	Sunday Schools,	11		
Excommunicated,	54	Teachers,	112	Total Funds,	$1036 36

List of Elders or Bishops in the Chowan Association.

J. G. Barkley, Jackson,
Stephen Bazemore, Windsor,
Wm. P. Britton, jr., Pitch Landing,
A. M. Craig, Hotel,
M. Corbell, Powell's Point,
E. Forbes, Shiloh,
David Harrell, Windsor,
Wm. H. Hardee, Jackson,
Wm. L. Hartson, Edenton,
Thos. Hogwood, Pitch Landing,
E. Howell, South Quay, Va.,
M. W. Jones, New Lebanon,
Prichard Jordan, Elizabeth City,
M. L. Mizells, Windsor,
Jas. Nash, Elizabeth City,
Barn. Nixon, Edenton,
Jno. Nowell, Coleraine,
Selby Patrick, Columbia,
James Ross, Windsor,
Henry Speight, Middle Swamp,
G. M. Thompson, Murfreesboro',
Q. H. Trotman, Mintonsville,
Abraham Twine, Powell's Point,
Thos. Waff, Edenton,
N. J. White, St. John's,
Wm. White, Ballard's Bridge,
Henry White, Windsor.

List of Licentiates.

Leonard Daniel, Heathsville,
Danl. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge,
Jas. N. Goodwin, Hertford,
West Leary, Ashland,
Jno. V. Lee, Somerton, Va.,
E. Leicester, Windsor,
Alfred Norton, Elizabeth City,
E. Pierce, Windsor,
Wm. H. Pierce, "
Jesse Powell, Conneconara,
Dossey Sanderlin, Jonesboro',
J. D. Stokely, South Mills,
Elijah Wicker, Powell's Point,
H. W. White, Windsor.

List of names being prepared, roll was called and the Association proceeded to organization.

Bro. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

A letter was handed in from a church constituted at Vassie's M. H. in Northampton county, asking admission into this body. Having been for years a branch of Smith's church, it was deemed unnecessary to examine into her faith and order; she was received and the right hand of fellowship extended to Elder Hardee, her only delegate present.

Church at Little Alligator notified the Association that she had changed her name to Mt. Zion, and requested that the change might appear on the minutes. Ordered that the change be noticed.

In view of the goodness of God in blessing a majority of our churches during the past year, the Association, after having all the letters read, spent a few minutes in prayer, in token of our gratitude, and in supplication in behalf of those three churches which have not been blessed with any accessions:—Elder Meredith leading in prayer.

A letter was handed in from Union Association, with 20 copies of their last minutes, by Elder A. J. Battle. Elder B. was recognised as a corresponding delegate.

A letter was handed in from Tar River Association with a bundle of minutes. Elder H. S. Spivey and bro. Guilford Lewis were recognised as delegates.

Elder Murfee and bro. Mays were recognised as delegates from the Portsmouth Association.

Visiting brethren in the ministry were invited to seats, which invitation was accepted by Elders Meredith, Delk and Barkley.

Elders Trotman, Thompson and Waff were appointed a committee to arrange the business of the Association.

Agreed to dispense with communion on Friday.

The pastor and deacons of this church were requested to supply the pulpit until Lord's day.

There was no preaching at the stand to-day on account of disagreeable weather.

Adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder Delk.

Friday, May 14th, 1847—unpleasant, rainy day.

Association met. Opening prayer by Elder Hogwood. Roll was called. Constitution of the Association, and Rules were read.

Committee on arrangements reported, report received and committee discharged.

Elder Meredith, brethren Ferrill, Watson, Carver, Benberry, Perry, Daniel, Vann and W. W. Mitchell were appointed a committee to inquire into the expediency of ordaining candidates for ordination.

Query.—"What does the Chowan Association regard as a test of Christian fellowship?"—Q. H. Trotman.

The answer to the query was indefinitely postponed.

At 12 1-2 P. M. the Association took a recess of twenty minutes.

Bro. W. D. Prichard was appointed to write to the Portsmouth Association. Elders Forbes, Barkley, Trotman, brethren M. Sanderlin and Kellenger the bearers.

Bro. A. J. Perry to write to the Tar River Association. Elders Harrell, Craig, Barkley and Speight the bearers.

Bro. Jno. L. Ferrill to write Concord Association. Elders Hardee, Thompson, Barkley, and bro. Exum Stephens the bearers.

Bro. Howell to write Union Association. Elders Trotman, Thompson and Sanderlin the bearers.

Resolved, That our next session be held with the church at Ramoth Gilead, to commence Thursday before the 3d Lord's day in May, 1848.

Elder Barkley is appointed to preach the introductory, bro. Britton in case of failure.

Elder Thompson is appointed to preach the Convention sermon before the next Association—Elder Craig the alternate.

Committee on ordination reported favorably on the case of bro. Wm. P. Britton, jr. Report received, and committee discharged. In future, candidates for ordination will be expected to travel through the churches prior to coming before the Association.

Moderator appointed the following committees: On the state of Religion—Elders Waff, Nowell and Berry. On the Itinerant labor—Elders Trotman, Sanderlin and Delk. On the Convention—Elders Meredith, Speight and bro. Sol. White. On Wake Forest College—Elders Battle, Harrell and Thompson. On Education of the Ministry—Elder Craig, brethren J. Powell and J. H. Riddick. On a Hymn Book—Elders Jor-

dan, Sanderlin and H. White. On Temperance—Brethren J. Powell, Barnes and Watson. On support of the Ministry—Brethren Felton, Jones and Freeman. On Finance—Prichard Lee and J. S. Mitchell.

Elders Meredith, Battle and Craig were appointed to preach on Lord's day.

A letter from Rev. J. J. Finch, Secretary of the N. C. Baptist State Convention, was read, and on motion, was referred to the committee on the Convention.

There was no preaching at the stand to-day, on account of the unfavorable state of the weather.

Adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder H. J. White.

Saturday, May 15, 1847.

Association met. Opening prayer by Elder Harrell. Roll was called.

The query, "Upon whom did the government of the churches rest in the days of primitive Christianity?" referred from the last to the present session of this body, was answered thus: "The churches being indepent bodies, the government of each one rested with itself."

Bro. Britton was then examined by Elder Meredith, in the presence of the Association, preparatory to ordination. The examination proving satisfactory, Elders Hogwood, Nowell and Delk were appointed a presbytery to ordain Bro. Britton on Wednesday before the 2d Lord's day in June next.

Officers of the Association were requested to prepare a report on Periodicals and append to the minutes.

Bro. Prichard handed in a letter to the Portsmouth Association, which was read and adopted.

Bro. Howell handed in one, for Union Association, it was adopted.

Bro. Perry handed in one, for Tar River Association, it was adopted.

Bro. Ferrill handed in one, for Concord Association, which was adopted.

The Association took a recess to hear the Convention sermon, and to allow the Committee on Finance to settle with the Delegates. Brethren Cobb, Darden, Barnes and Vann, were appointed to take up the collection after the sermon.

Elder Speight preached an appropriate sermon, to a large auditory, after which a collection amounting to $28 54 was taken up.

On reassembling the Committee on Itinerant labor reported. Report received, and Committee discharged.

Brethren J. H. Riddick, Stallings, Howell, Barnes, and Wilie Riddick, were appointed a Committee to locate a minister on South side of Albemarle Sound.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported as follows:—

The Wake Forest College having been so often brought before this Association, your Committee deem it unnecessary to go unto detail in presenting its history, or its claims to our churches. This Institution has been in operation over ten years, and has been instrumental in educating a number of young men of this and other States, who now have a standing in Society, that would do credit to any College. Some of her graduates are Legislators laboring for the public good. Some are Ministers of the Gospel who are laboring for the benefit of the human race, and whose influence for good will last through eternity. What has already been accomplished, is well worth all that has been spent upon the College. At present the Faculty of the College, with Dr. Wm. Hooper at the head, claim the confidence and patronage of our entire denomination, and also of the public generally. There are nearly one hundred students now at the College and the number increasing. The healthiness and moral character of the place, together with the cheapness of the expenses of an education, present special claims on our brethren, friends, and the public in general, to send their sons to this College, and to induce them to contribute to extricate the College from debt. This debt rests heavily on a few of our liberal minded brethren, and will eventually ruin many of them, if the debt is not provided for by the voluntary contributions of the benevolent. Will our brethren suffer this? We hope not.

The Trustees of the College have two agents actively employed in this State and S. C., who meet with encouragement, and have determined, if practicable, to pay off all the debt by the 1st Jan. next. Brethren let us all help these agents to do this great and good work. The Huffham plan of one hundred and fifty subscribers paying one hundred dollars each, is being filled up with a noble liberality, while smaller contributions are constantly added, to swell the amount to meet in full, all the claims against the College.

Your Committee are gratified to learn from the Executor of sister Wilder, who recently died in this county, that she has left a legacy to the College, that will amount to over one thousand dollars. Will not other brethren and sisters remember the College in the same way?

All which is respectfully submitted, A. J. BATTLE, *Ch'm.*

Report was received, and the Committee discharged.

Committee on the N. C. Bap. State Convention presented the following Report:

The committee on the N. C. Baptist State Convention would respectfully submit the following report:—

As is well known, the primary objects of the Convention are *three*—namely, the promotion of Foreign Missions—the promotion of Ministerial Education—and the preaching of the gospel within the bounds of our own State; otherwise called the promotion of Domestic Missions.

The first of these is important, of course; and has received of late an increased share of attention on the part of our churches and people. The recent separation between Northern and Southern Baptists, giving rise to the formation of the Southern Baptist Convention—the opening of the door for missionary labor in the immense empire of China—together with the fact that one of our own brethren has recently consecrated himself to the labors of the foreign field, have given an impulse to the spirit of Foreign Missions in this State, which has been known at no former period. At the last annual meeting the amount of funds received for Foreign Missions was probably more than double what had been received, for the same object, at any previous meeting.

The department of Ministerial Education has always languished. Although several young brethren have been aided in the attainment of an education, who have become ornaments to the institution, and are now laboring with great acceptance to the denomination, still it may be said that *nothing* has been done, compared with what ought to have been done. The deficiency here spoken of, is

probably owing to causes of various sorts, which time may serve to modify, and which an increased measure of liberality and religious zeal may entirely do away.

The Department of Domestic Missions has always fallen greatly short of the good which it ought to have effected. This fact is likewise owing to various causes, which it may not be necessary to enumerate here Two of these causes, however, ought, perhaps, to be mentioned. The one is, that the object itself has always been underrated by our brethren. And the other is, that the numerous sectional and local itinerancies have served to prevent such a concentration of strength, as it was the great purpose of the Convention to secure.

This last object is that which is thought to posssess *special claims* on the attention of this body. The claims of Foreign Missions are evidently strong. The claims of Education are stronger. But the claims of the Domestic Mission Department are obviously strongest of all. It is by the operation of this department—by the preaching of the gospel within our own bounds—by the promotion of revivals, and the growth of religion among our own churches, that we are to procure the means of promoting even Foreign Missions and Education. This is so obvious that it is thought that it needs be but mentioned, to be understood and appreciated; and it is hoped that it will receive the immediate and earnest consideration of this body.

In this view of the case, your committee would respectfully suggest the inquiry, whether this Association would not more effectually promote the cause of Itinerancy, within her own bounds, and the cause of Domestic Missions throughout the State—and thereby, indirectly, aid *all the objects* of our Convention, by making that institution the medium of all her operations in the Domestic Field?

Very Respectfully,

T. MEREDITH, *Ch'm.*

Report was received, and the Committee discharged.

Committee on the settlement of a minister on South side of Albemarle Sound reported, recommending Elder Henry S. Spivy, who was accordingly appointed. The report was received and the Committee discharged.

A fund was then raised by the body, in aid of the churches South of the Albemarle: a portion of the subscriptions remains unpaid; and brethren can pay the amount they subscribed to bro. Wm. D. Prichard, in Elizabeth City; or to the Moderator,—both of whom hold the subscriptions on which their names are entered.

Committee on the state of religion reported as follows:—

The committee upon the state of religion within our bounds, beg leave respectfully to report:

That from the statements received from the churches composing this body, we have abundant cause for increased gratitude and praise to God our heavenly father, for the great success he has given to the preaching of his blessed Gospel in the bounds of this Association the past year. Whence we learn upwards of 600 souls have professed conversion to God our Savior, and owned him in his holy baptism. Yet, brethren, when we also learn some of our churches are in a great measure destitute of the regular ministration of the Gospel, and in a cold and wintry state, should we not feel, yea, ought we not deeply and solemnly to feel called upon, from the great ocean of God's love and mercy to us through his blessed Son our Savior, to increase our zeal and dilligence in his holy cause, that those destitute people and dark places within our bounds may become enlightened in the counsels of the Lord, and feel the power of his grace upon their hearts to the sanctifying and saving of their souls.

From these facts may we not regard it as evidence that the Lord blesses his appointed means of grace placed in the hands of his people for the conversion of sinners; and when neglected by his people they have dearth and leanness of soul.

Your committee have to conclude it is too evident that many intelligent christians manifest too great a spirit of this world, no doubt, from the influence of fashionable circles, so called, with which they are surrounded, forgetting they have purified their souls in obeying the truth through the spirit, and were purged from their old sins—neglecting those high and holy principles in the religion of Christ wherein the believer stands free from condemnation, not minding the things of the flesh, but minding the things of the spirit.

Respectfully submitted, THO. WAFF, *Ch'm.*

Report received, and committee discharged.

Committee on Temperance made the following report:—

The committee to whom was referred the subject of Temperance beg leave to report:—

The subject of Temperance presents many considerations of interesting importance. Every christian's heart must glow with rapture in reflecting on the happy results of Temperance. It is so closely identified with christianity that we think it should be patronized by those who love our Lord Jesus. Your committee are of opinion that many and great evils result from what is termed the moderate use of ardent-spirits, and decidedly condemn the practice.

We know that no man was ever born a drunkard, and all drunkards were at one time moderate drinkers, and as the pig makes the hog, (if we can be allowed so to express ourselves,) so the once small drinker makes the drunkard. We read in the precious word, "woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him." Which alone should cause us to abstain from its use. And in addition to this, we read that "no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God." Then let us "taste not, touch not, handle not the unclean thing."

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution; *Resolved*, That every member of the churches composing this Association, be affectionately requested to discontinue the use of spirituous liquors altogether.

JESSE POWELL, *Ch'm.*

Report received, and committee discharged.

The Committee on Education of the Ministry made the following report:

The committee appointed to report on the subject of Ministerial Education, beg leave to say:—

That no department of business—no pursuit in life, can be successfully prosecuted without the aid of Education. The ability of the jurist, the skill of the physician, and the labors of the husbandman equally depend upon and are guided by the lights of science. Without these the mind of man, like an uncultivated field, runs to waste, and of course can yield no harvest. If, then, it is education that unfolds the powers of the human intellect, and gives us access to the arts and improvements of civilization: if it is this that qualifies us for the various avocations in which we may engage, its importance and utility must be obvious to every one. But who needs these advantages more than he whose business it is to explain the mysteries of the kingdom of God, and to develope the great scheme of doctrine on which the Father of lights has bestowed the unsearchable riches of his wisdom. The task which the minister of the gospel has to accomplish is not one of easy performance or of trifling consequence. Difficulties meet

him at every step, and unless he has a mind trained to intense thought, and disciplined to close investigation, he will be unable to analize the various subjects presented to his consideration, and to exhibit them so as to refute the cavils of the sophist, and to overturn the strong holds of error. Your committee do not assume that none except those who have received an education, should undertake to dispense the words of life and salvation. They only maintain that an education gives to the Minister a power and an influence, in a high degree auxiliary to the performance of his work, and that his usefulness, other things being equal, will always be in the ratio of his attainments in knowledge and wisdom. Let those ministers therefore who have not enjoyed the opportunities of an education, address themselves to the work of educating themselves. Let them give attention to reading and study, that their profiting may appear unto all, and that they may become workmen who need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ANDREW CRAIG, Chm.

Report received, and committee discharged.

The Committee on the Bible Society made the following report:

Your Committee to whom was assigned the subject of Bible opperations, offer the following as their report:

The Word of God must be considered by every disciple of the Redeemer, an invaluable treasure; for without this word in some endurable form, the most correct views of God, and His stupendous works, together with a knowledge of our redemption through our Lord Jesus Christ, would be most certainly lost, and with those views would be lost, in no small degree, the enjoyment of the christian religion. Again, the believer without the Bible, would, we think, somewhat resemble the navagator upon the ocean without the compass. He could not tell whether he was steering his course to the desired haven, or whether he was approximating to some other point.

Hence the importance that every child of God have within his possession the unadulterated truths which the blessed Bible contains. Perceiving then the advantages derived from the word of God, by him whose mind has been already enlightened thereby—what shall we say of those who are still in an unenlightened, and consequently, in an unbelieving state?

Alas! we are at a loss for language to express our feelings upon a subject of such vital importance.

The Scriptures contain the very information that the unconverted man needs. Yes, they point him to the "Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world." They portray to him in the most clear and beautiful manner, the plan by an observance of which he may come to God through Christ and be saved. There is no other volume upon the face of the whole earth, that contains intelligence worthy to be compared with that contained in the book of God—the Bible. Believing then, as we most assuredly do, that there is no other name given under Heaven, by which men can be saved, only in and through the Lord Jesus Christ; and being satisfied of the fact, that no other book, apart from the word of Holy inspiration, can give unto our fallen race a correct knowledge of that ever blessed name, the sound of which causes our hearts to rejoice—can we who are favored with the glorious information which this word imparts—can we, who have tasted that the Lord is gracious—can we, who esteem this treasure so highly, withhold it from those who possess it not?

We need not say we have not the means among us to give many volumes of this precious book to our destitute at home, and also to contribute for its distribution abroad. Brethren, many of us within the bounds of the Chowan Association, possess the means for bible distribution to no inconsiderable extent; and

will not God require us to give an account, when we appear before him, of the manner in which we have employed the means that he has committed to our charge? The Redeemer, in his sermon upon the mount, gives us this instruction: "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

Let us now suppose ourselves without a bible and destitute of the means to procure one, we ask, in all christian humility, if we would not, that those who had one, or the means to spare to procure one, should give us this invaluable treasure to be the man of our counsel?

Again, it is declared that this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached into all the world, for a witness unto all nations. Now, we ask, what could the living preacher perform in foreign lands, without the printed word to accompany him? We answer, but little.

Hence we arrive at the conclusion that this word which we so much admire and so highly esteem, ought to be, literally speaking, scattered broad cast throughout the length and breadth of our world; for we believe with the great apostle of the Gentiles, that the word of God is the sword of the Spirit, and we presume the spirit may not accomplish as much—nay, that he will not accomplish as much without the sword, as when he acts in connection with it.

In conclusion, we would say, let us be diligent in the accomplishment of what we conceive to be the will of our Heavenly Father in carrying into effect his great and mighty plans, that, when this world shall be no longer the sphere of our actions, we may be accounted worthy to receive that reward which is in reserve for all the faithful.

In consideration of the foregoing, we make the following resolve: That as Christians and as Baptists, we will by the grace of our Heavenly Father, perform our duty, so far as our judgments are informed upon the subject, in the distribution of the Holy Bible within our own bounds and elsewhere, as our means may justify.

All of which is respectfully submitted for your better deliberations.

WM. P. BRITTON, Jr., Ch'm.

Report received, and committee discharged.

The Committee on Hymn Books made the following report:

We, to whom was referred the subject of Hymn Books, having taken the subject under consideration, and knowing that there are several standards in use, and that when there are so many selections there are not those sweet emotions of harmony in music that should characterise the Church of Christ, we would, therefore, recommend that well known work, called the Baptist Hymn Book, to your venerable body and the churches in general.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PRITCHARD JORDAN, Ch'm.

The following brethren were elected members of the Executive Committee for the ensuing year:

Bertie Union Meeting—Lewis Bond and Green Stancil.

Camden and Currituck Union Meeting—Isaac Baxter and Maxcy Sanderlin.

Yoppim Union Meeting—Chas. W. Skinner and Whitmel Stallings.

Elders Trotman, Thompson, and bro. Norton were chosen delegates to represent this body in the N. C. Baptist State Convention.

Elder Waff was appointed to itinerate among the churches east of the Chowan River, with instructions to report quarterly to the Board of

Home Missions, who will make an annual report.—That committee shall consist of Joseph G. Rea, S. J. Wheeler, S. Polkinhorn, W. Stallings and Jno. L. Ferrill.

Committee on Finance made the following report:

Dr.		
Present contributions,		$67 75
Amount in the Treasury,		66 59
		134 34
Contra.		
Printing the Minutes of 1846,	$30 00	
Transcribing the same,	15 00	45 00
Balance in the Treasury,		89 34

Ordered that 2500 copies of these Minutes be printed. Elder Nowell to distribute them in the Bertie Union Meeting; Elder Trotman in the Yoppim Union Meeting; bro. Pritchard in the Camden and Currituck Union Meeting; and bro. Halsey in the Washington and Tyrrell Union Meeting.

The Association ordered that its thanks be recorded as an acknowledgement of our gratitude for the kindness manifested in entertaining this body during this present session.

On motion made, the Association adjourned. Prayer by Elder Trotman.

The following reports were prepared after the adjournment of the Association:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools would submit the following as their report:

Among the many subjects claiming attention at the present day, is to be found the Sabbath School. And this subject, being fraught with important interest to mankind in general, and that its benefits may be more abundantly felt, and realized by the present, as well as the rising generation, demands for their support our united efforts and hearty co-operation, both as philanthropists and also as Christians. Through this auxiliary or means in the hands of the Spirit of our Savior, much good has already been accomplished, and if continued as is very desirable it should be done, what may we not reasonably anticipate and expect in years yet to come, while trusting in God at the same time as the author of all good to bless our weak and feeble efforts? It is true, Sabbath Schools had a very small beginning at first; but oh, may not many, yea, very many, bless the Lord that they are now permitted to behold from this once feeble effort a mighty and praiseworthy institution. At this advanced period of its history what we have to do is, to go to work and help it onward in its march, and victory will crown our efforts. It has not to be commenced anew, for it has long since been in being, and cannot, therefore, be called a new thing under the sun, as are many inventions at the present day. No. For its utility has long since been tested, and found to work well, in doing good to all classes of children, and we may say men too, if they will avail themselves of its facilities. This we may suppose, was what its founder intended, that is, that all might be benefited by it. Robert

Raikes set the machine to work, and thank heaven it has been working ever since, to a greater or less degree. Now, that its motion may be accelerated, let each heart say, "thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;" and when we make this petition, we should do as well as pray. For if an infidel, who does not believe in God nor the Bible, could say and feel that Sabbath Schools were worth $10 a year to him, what should be the conclusion of Christians on this all important subject? From a feeling sense of the importance and also of the utility of Sabbath School instruction, we would offer the following resolutions: 1st. That we do highly approve of Sabbath Schools. 2nd. That we recommend the formation of a well organized Sabbath School in all our churches and neighborhoods where it may be considered expedient.

DAVID HARRELL, Ch'm.

At the request of the Association the Officers append the following, which is designed as a

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Every member of the church who desires to be useful can be more useful by reading regularly a well conducted religious periodical. We not only do good in the encouragement and sustaining of an instrument of good; but the information we derive from it, enables us to exert a more extended influence among our associates. May we not infer that the man who neglects reading some good religious paper is indifferent about doing good? We take pleasure in saying that we have a paper in our State that is regarded by good judges as being a credit to the denomination. Fanatics of the North have quailed before the Recorder, when it has arraigned them before the tribunal of public opinion, on the subject of our domestic relations.

The power of the press is absolute in all free countries. No enterprise is originated among intelligent people, without the establishment of a newspaper press. Shall the cause of religion alone receive no aid from this powerful agent? Let there be but one response; and the mite each one contributes to the support of the Biblical Recorder may, perhaps, bring upon him the blessing of Him, who will reward the giver of "a cup of water" to a disciple in His name.

Wherever that paper circulates, there a heathful religious influence is exerted, even where our ministry has not yet entered. Let us all take hold of the Recorder as our own paper; let every brother and sister consider themselves as special agents in its behalf; nor let us cease in our efforts until it is placed in every family in our reach.

(Attest.)

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*,

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

LORD'S DAY.

On Lord's day, the weather being pleasant, a large congregation assembled, to whom the word was faithfully administered by Elders Craig, Meredith and Battle; and we pray the blessings of Heaven on their efforts.

BIOGRAPHIES.

Biographical notice of Elder Jno. Harrell, deceased.

Elder Harrell was born in Nansemond county, Va., on the 20th of March, 1779. He professed religion in youth, and became a candidate for membership, in connexion with the church at Middle Swamp, in January, 1806, which was at that time a branch of the church at Meherrin, near Murfreesboro; and under the care of Elder Nathaniel Pruden. He was baptized by Elder Morris in April following. In 1810, the church called him to the office of deacon, and on the 23d of July 1814, he was ordained to the work of the gospel ministry. The church elected him pastor in 1815, and he went in and out before them in that sacred office for 21 successive years. No minister was ever more punctual in filling his appointments than was Elder Harrell. No stress of weather, nor indeed did any cause deter him from his appointments, which it was possible for a man to surmount—an example well worthy of imitation by a luxurious, self-indulgent ministry. During the period of his pastorate at Middle Swamp the church enjoyed great peace. No man was ever more blessed in his pastoral relations, than was Elder Harrell. His anxieties were ever alive for the peace of the flock. Ever on the alert he would anticipate and prevent approaching evil. He is acknowledged to have been one of the best disciplinarians among all our bishops. Enjoying the confidence of his brethren, his counsel was ever implicitly regarded. In 1817, Elder H. was called to supply the church at South Quay, which call he accepted, and continued to visit the church until 1828. Here he was esteemed by all, and regarded as "sternly authodox," "gentle and humble in his deportment."

Of the church at Piney Grove, he may be regarded as the founder.—His services were rendered to the citizens in an old school-house, until 1827, when by his exertions and the kindness of the people, a house of worship was built and a church was constituted principally of members dismissed from South Quay. The presbytery consisting of Elders R. T. Daniel, Luther Rice, John Harrell and James Delk. Elder Harrell was called to the pastorate, in which office, he continued until his death.—The church prospered constantly under his care. In his government of the church, he was always mild, but firm. In the early part of his ministry, Elder Harrell was not clear in his convictions of duty in regard to the support of the missionary cause, but in his latter years, his doubts were removed, and he became a warm advocate for all benevolent institutions.

On 3rd May, 1833, Elder Harrell, aided by Elder Murfee, constituted the church at Great Fork, with 32 members, who had been dismiss-

ed from Middle Swamp. The church called him to serve her in holy things on 6th July following: he continued in her service until his death. Under Elder Harrell's ministry, the church was peaceful, happy and prosperous. He left her without a difficulty to harrass her, with an increase of 50 members, besides 15 who had died in the faith and departed in hope.

But the decree hath gone forth, "it is appointed unto men once to die." The most useful, the most virtuous as well as the most depraved and licentious, must fall before the shafts of the relentless foe to our race.—Elder Harrell fell asleep in Jesus on 6th Nov. 1844—greatly regretted.

"Sure the last end of the good man is peace."

Biographical sketch of the late Elder Reuben Lawrence, deceased.

Reuben Lawrence was born 12th of June 1787. Of his early life we have been unable to gather much information. From his youth he seems to have been of a mild and peace-loving disposition, and inclined to a religious life.

In March 1814 he was baptized, and soon began to cast in his mind relative to his duty in the gospel ministry. The church permitted him to exercise in her bounds, and on 20th August 1820, he was publicly inducted into the office of bishop, and empowered to discharge its functions. He was called to the care of the church at Cashie in Oct. 1822, and continued to serve her to the end of his life. He ministered also to the church at Capehearts on 3rd Lord's days—and in various destitute places South of the Roanoke river. His labors in different places appear to have been blessed. He deeply felt the need of early education and endeavored to improve his mind by study and reading as much as he could. His efforts were highly appreciated by the church and community, and by all he was esteemed as an upright, conscientious citizen and a pious christian. His earthly career was terminated at his residence in Bertie Co. on 25th February 1843—greatly to the grief of his neighbors and the citizens generally.

Death had no terrors for him. He regarded the approach of the monster, as that of a kind friend who was about to convey him to a happier clime: and in view of past life, with an inspired apostle, he could exclaim "I have faught a good fight, I have finished my course, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness," and joyfully resign this restless, anxious state of being as the wearied warrior disrobes himself of his armor after

"The battle's o'er,
And victory's won."

How triumphantly may we exclaim, in view of the christian's departure, "Oh death where is thy sting?"

Rec'd 10 July 1848

MINUTES

OF THE

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OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT

RAMOTH GILEAD CHURCH.

PASQUOTANK CO., N. C., MAY 18—21, 1848

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The Introductory discourse was delivered by Elder J. G. Barkly, from 1 Cor., xv. 50:—"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast," &c.

After a short intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder A. J. Battle.

Brethren A. J. Askew and Wm. D. Pritchard were chosen assistant clerks.

Letters from the churches were then called for and read. From them is prepared the table on the following page.

The list of names being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren present were invited to seats, and to participate in our deliberations; the invitation was accepted by Elders Wm. H. Jordan, Hendrickson, Wm. Jones, Battle, and Delk.

A letter of correspondence in the Minutes of the Virginia Portsmouth Association was read, and 30 copies of their minutes distributed.

Elder Battle presented a letter from the Union Association, which was read, and Elder Battle was recognized as their delegate.

In view of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our churches during the past year, the Association agreed to spend a few minutes in grateful prayer to Almighty God—Elder W. H. Jordan led in prayer.

The Constitution and Rules of Decorum were read.

Pastor and deacons of this church were requested to attend to supplying the stage in the grove with preaching, until Lord's-day.

Elders Thompson, Waff, and Harrell, were appointed a committee of arrangements.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow; prayer by Elder Thompson.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Ahoskie,	J. S. Goodwin, J. Barnes, A. J. Askew,
Antioch,	No letter—statistics as per last returns,
Ballard's Bridge,	W. J. Holly, S. Simpson, A. Bonner,
Bethlehem,	T. HOGGARD, W. N. BRITTON, Jr., A. Thomas,
Bethel,	R. Felton, J. Mardre, W. M. Fleetwood,
Buckhorn,	T. D. Vann, J. R. Darden, J. W. Worrell,
Capeheart's,	*W. Leary*, T. Cobb, *J. N. Hoggard*,
Caskie,	D. HARRELL, J. S. Tayloe, T. C. Watson,
Coleraine,	J. NOWELL, J. Wilson, J. W. Beasly,
Conneritsa,	W. W. Mitchell, W. Dunning, W. T. Sharrock,
Conneconara,	E. Pope,* E. P. Powell,
Coal Spring,	J. Carter,* W. H. Cross, J. M. Matthews,
Edenton,	T. WAFF, A. JONES, J. Waff,
Elizabeth City,	J. Scott, R. Simpson, W. D. Pritchard,
Free Chapel,	No letter—statistics as per last returns,
Great Fork,	O. Harrell,* O. Savage, A. R. Collins,
Holly Grove;	H. WHITE, J. S. Mitchell, W. J. Freeman.
Meherrin,	G. M. THOMPSON, S. Polkinhorn, L. T. Spiers.*
Middle Swamp,	H. SPEIGHT, C. E. Ballard, W. Riddick.
Mt. Tabor,	W. Darden, W. Dunning, A. W. Darden.
Mt Carmel,	J. G. BARKLY, W. H. Garriss, K. Stephenson,
Mt. Zion,	E. P. Nelson, W. Beasly, J. Crossgrove,*
Piney Grove,	E. HOWELL,* W. N. Sears,* J. P. Lee,
Pleasant Grove,	G. C. Moore, W. S. Tayloe, J. P. Harrell,*
Potecasi,	J. Baughm, S. Edwards,* T. B. Gatling,*
Powell's Point,	No letter—statistics as per last returns,
Providence,	I. Baxter,* T. Williams,* J. Bell,
Quankie,	No letter—statistics as per last returns,
Ramoth Gilead,	J. Temple, A. Spence, S. F. Overman,
Republican,	J. Bunch,* S. D. Bunch, D. Peel,
Roanoke Island,	A. TWINE,* A. Etheridge,* H. Gaylord,*
Rocky Hock,	I. B. Webb, R. Lassiter, J. Bonner,
Ross M. H.,	M. Morriss, W. J. Mitchell, I. Odam,
Salem,	P. JORDAN, G. W. Pendleton, F. Fletcher,
Sandy Cross,	Q. H. TROTMAN, W Stallings, E. N. Riddick,
Sandy Run,	A. Rogers, J. Harrell,* W. S. Brown,
Sawyer's Creek,	E. FORBES, M. Sanderline, L. SANDERLIN,
Shady Grove,	H. W. Lee,* N. Gray,*
Shiloh,	A. BERRY, J. Walston, B. Barco,
Sound Side,	J. Halsey,* J. Rhodes,*
Spence's M. H.,	J. McPherson, L. D. Braughton, J. S. Jones,
Vasser's M. H.,	P. H. Stephenson,* J. R. Kee,*
Yoppim,	J. L. Terrell, A. G. Parrish, W. Benberry,*

* Absent—ordained ministers in small CAPS—licentiates in *Italics*.

Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by letter.	Excommunicated	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Funds.	Sunday Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in library.
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ples, and consequently we know nothing of her faith and sentiments.

The report was received, and the committee discharged.

Elders Forbes, Sanderlin, and Berry were appointed a committee to visit the church at Friendship, examine into their condition and principles, and report to the next meeting of this body.

Elders Wm. Jones, Battle, and Delk occupied the stand in the grove to-day.

On motion,

Adjourned to 9 A. M., to-morrow: prayer by Elder Forbes.

SATURDAY, May 20th, 1848.

Association met according to adjournment, prayer by Elder Harrell.

Roll was called.

Elders Craig, Trotman, Battle, Thompson, and Delk were appointed a committee to select from the Holy Scriptures such portions as will clearly express the doctrines and duties of the Christian Religion, as a declaration of our principles: to report the same to the next meeting of this body, with a view of adopting them as a substitute for our present articles.

On motion,

The Moderator was added to the committee.

The Executive Committee on Home Missions reported; report received, and ordered to be printed. Letter A in appendix

Agreed to omit the Convention Sermon to-day, and that Elder W. H. Jordan preach that sermon on Lord's-day.

Elder Battle was appointed to write to the Virginia Portsmouth Association, and Elders Speight, Battle, Trotman, Waff, brethren J. R. Darden, W. Riddick, and S. J. Wheeler, were appointed our delegates.

The Clerk was appointed to write to the Union Association; Elders Battle, Trotman, Craig, Nowell, and Bro. E. P. Powell our delegates.

Elder Barkly was appointed to write to the Concord Association, Elders Barkly, Britton, and Delk our delegates.

Brother A. W. Darden was appointed to write to the Tar River Association, Elders Thompson, Harrell, and Bro. J. Powell our delegates.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be held with the church at Pleasant Grove, Hertford county, to commence Thursday before the 3rd Lord's-day in May, 1849. Elder Trotman preach the introductory sermon, and Elder Waff in case of failure.

Elder Forbes was appointed to preach the conventional sermon before next Association, and Elder Berry his alternate.

Elders Hendrickson and William Jones were requested to preach on Lord's-day, in connexion with Elder W. H. Jordan, previously appointed.

Committee on State of Religion reported; report received, and

committee discharged, ordered to be printed. See letter B. in appendix.

Committees on Ordination reported, recommending brethren J. D. Stokely and West Leary for ordination; reports received, and committee discharged.

The action of the Association of 1847, recommending that licentiates should visit the churches before coming to the Association for ordination, was reversed; so that candidates for ordination are not expected in future, to travel through the bounds prior to coming before the Association.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported, report received, committee discharged, ordered to be printed. See letter C.

Committee on Baptist State Convention reported, report received, committee discharged, and ordered to be printed. See letter D in appendix.

Brethren Stokely and Leary were then examined in the presence of the Association by Elder Battle, preparatory to ordination; after which, it was agreed that they be ordained. Elders Trotman, Forbes, and Sanderlin were appointed a presbytery to ordain Bro. Stokely, on Friday before the 2nd Lord's-day in June next, at Ramoth Gilead.

Elders Trotman, H. White, and Hoggard were appointed a presbytery, to ordain Bro. Leary, at Capeheart's M. H., on Saturday before 2d Lord's-day in July next.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported, report received, committee discharged, and ordered to be printed. See letter E in appendix.

Committee on Periodicals reported, report received, committee discharged; ordered to be printed. See letter F.

Representations having been made of the melancholy destitution of the Word and ordinances among our churches, South of the Albemarle Sound, and praying for aid; Elders Sanderlin, Battle, Harrell, Stokely, Waff, Speight, Forbes, Britton, Thompson, and Nowell, agreed to render gratuitous labor among those churches, the ensuing year.

The following brethren were elected members of the Executive Committee for the ensuing year: *

Bertie Union Meeting, L. Bond, J. S. Tayloe.

Camden and Carrituck Meeting, I. Baxter, J. B. Morgan.

Yoppim Meeting, C. W. Skinner, W. Stallings.

Ordered that the Clerk have 3000 copies of these minutes printed; that Elder Trotman distribute them in Yoppim Union Meeting; Elder Nowell in the Bertie Union Meeting; Bro. Pritchard in the Camden and Carrituck Union Meeting; and Bro. Halsey in the Washington and Tyrrell Union Meeting.

Board of Home Missions for the ensuing year, consists of bre-

* Brother John L. Kerrill authorized the Clerk to say to brethren who will aid these churches, that, if they will call on him, he will send them across the sound, gratuitously.

thren S. J. Wheeler, S. Polkinhorn, L. T. Spiers, W. Stallings, and J. L. Terrill.

Resolved, That this Association tender its grateful acknowledgements to the brethren and friends, for the kind manner in which it has been entertained during its present session.

Resolved, That we solemnly record our thanks to our Heavenly Father, for the peace and good order that has pervaded our body during the present session.

Brethren Carven, Stokely, Jones, and McPherson were appointed to take up the collection, after the Convention Sermon, on Lord's-day; and the Moderator was authorized to appoint delegate to the Convention.

Stage in the grove was occupied to-day, by Elders Hendrickson, Thompson, and Jones.

On motion,

The Association then adjourned, prayer by Elder William H. Jordan.

Teste. S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk.*

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator.*

APPENDIX.

(A)
HOME MISSIONS.

The committee have been enabled to secure the services of Elder A. J. Battle on West Side of the Chowan, and truly, from the reports made by the churches, his visits may be regarded as "the coming of Titus;" solitary places have been made to rejoice, and the wilderness to blossom as the rose. Our missionary itinerated regularly among the churches in his district, besides visiting those East of the Chowan, and those South of the Albemarle Sound.—he speaks of the kindness received at the hands of friends, and with him, your committee would implore the blessings of Him who has said, that he that giveth a cup of cold water to a disciple in my name, verily, he shall not be without his reward; upon their heads. Particular mention is made of the kindness of brethren Thompson, Waff, Wood, (now deceased,) Felton, Thomas Riddick, Delk, Bunch, L. Bond, and others,—special awakenings were enjoyed at Mt Carmel, Cashie, Buckhorn, Colerain, and Meherrin. His labors were curtailed in some measure by a severe attack of intermittent fever, at Buckhorn. During his term of service, Elder B. travelled 3025 miles; preached 205 times; assisted in dedicating one new house of worship; administered the Lord's Supper five times; administered the ordinance of baptism to 31 persons About 200 persons professed religion at the meetings where he aided; received $412 25 from the churches. The Missionary has observed in his travels among us, that the proportion of ministers among us is greater than

in any other portion of this State, or in any of the Southern States, ministers enough to secure preaching every Lord's day in all the churches, and yet, some of the churches content themselves with services only once a month. This is not right. We have prayed time and again, for "more laborers in the harvest;" the Lord has sent them to us; and lo, we neither employ them at home, nor send them into the foreign mission field; oh, will the Lord bless such a people? He reports that he has found valuable young gifts among the churches, that, if educated, would prove great blessings to the community, and yet, the churches do not take these tender ones by the hand and encourage them to go forward,—churches should not wait for these young brethren to ask for aid, but should provide means for their being sent to school at once.

Elder Waff was appointed to itinerate East of the Chowan. He has not been able to devote as much time to the work as he desired, but feels its deep importance. Commenced his labors at Piney Grove, August 27, 1847, itinerating thence to the Atlantic, as circumstances would admit, until April 1848. The situation of the churches at Powell's Point, and on Roanoke Island, requires attention; these feeble branches are greatly discouraged. A few years since, we succeeded in settling Elder Twine on Roanoke Island, and prospects brightened, but of late, difficulties have come upon them. Brother Twine has been unkindly treated by one, calling himself a minister of the gospel, and almost driven from the field. Elder Waff has labored 77 days, preached 49 sermons: more than 300 souls have professed to find peace, has received $22.75 from churches, while laboring for them.

The condition of the churches in Washington and Tyrrell, has engaged the special attention of the committees. In May, 1847, they hoped that they had secured the settlement of an efficient minister among them, but regret to inform you of their utter disappointment. Brother Halsey, under date of 17th of May, 1848, writes from Tyrrell county, that the attention of the people in his vicinity, is turned strongly to the subject of religion. We do hope that, if we are successful in our efforts to secure the location of a minister among this people, this year, the voluntary labors of our brethren already pledged, will be blessed to the comfort and edification of our brethren in this destitute region; so that they may be encouraged to make an effort to help themselves. All of which, is submitted in Christian affection, by the

COMMITTEE.

(B)
ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

For the want of time, the committee are compelled to omit many things that they would like to have drawn your attention to. The enquiry into the state of religion, should be regarded as one of momentous import. It is not important to the Christian alone, but it is

important to every rational being; from the fact that religion brings eternal life to its devout subjects, and the only principle from the Great Creator for enlightening, sanctifying, and ameliorating of mankind, in their present state of existence, and secure their eternal existence in His heavenly kingdom.

From the annual epistles read in your body, we learn that more than one thousand persons have professed faith and obedience to the Redeemer's divine authority, and have become His followers in the ordinance of baptism. May we not, in consideration of this great success attendant on the preached word, recommend that the disciples and all, make it their duty to walk worthy of the gospel, cultivating the blessed spirit that dwelt in our Lord in all things,—that their lives and works may tend to the sanctifying of their souls. That, through His divine grace there may be a happy admittance ministered unto them, into the Heavenly Kingdom. Respectfully submitted.

T. WAFF, *Chairman.*

(C)
SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Scriptures contain all that is necessary to be known in regard to man's salvation, and are the best rule of conduct. A knowledge of God's truth is the best means of suppressing error, preserving truth, and perpetuating our civil institutions. Hence, all should study the Bible.

The Sunday School system is the best means of accomplishing so desirable an object. Baptists should cherish them,—and we cordially recommend Sabbath Schools to all our churches. Our children will soon occupy our places, and we should use every effort to qualify them to fill those places more usefully than we do. Brethren, other communities are far in advance of us in this enterprise.

Are we willing to be left behind, in this good work? I think that I can hear the response, No. Let us enter heartily into this work. Our efficiency and usefulness will be in proportion to our knowledge of God's will. Ought we not, then, to study the Divine oracle ourselves, and teach it to others also? In view of these considerations, we would submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That our ministers generally, and pastors in particular, be earnestly requested to establish Sabbath Schools where there are none at their churches, and to cherish and encourage those already organized.

Resolved, That we recommend to all our brethren, Sabbath Schools as worthy their wishes and labors, we would urge them to deny themselves Sunday recreation, and devote themselves to instructing the rising generation in the word of God.

We submit the subject, praying that the King of Saints may give it an increased interest in all our hearts.

W. P. BRITTON, *Chairman.*

(D)
N. C. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

At the last meeting of the Convention, there were not funds sufficient to pay for missionary labor already rendered, consequently, an indebtedness was incurred for Home Missions, of $700, and for Education of $300. The Board, therefore, declined appointing missionaries, greatly needed in destitute sections of the State,—only two were appointed, and one of them goes, depending on the people of his charge. Not a single young minister is now receiving education at the hands of the Convention. These difficulties have arisen mainly from the fact, that there has been no agent in the field the past year. An agent is now operating, and in the short space of four months, has reduced the Home Mission debt to about $100; and the indebtedness of the Education department is entirely extinguished. There is now reason to hope from the past success of the agent, that before the next meeting the Convention will not only be relieved of its present liabilities, but will secure a fund sufficent to send forth several Missionaries into the field; and also, to sustain those young brethren at school, that are now waiting to present themselves as beneficiaries of the Convention.

The prospects of the Convention are, therefore, brightening; a greater degree of interest is being excited among the churches, in sustaining those objects of the Convention, which have been so dear to us for the last eighteen years. In conclusion, we would recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved. That as the agent of the Convention is now on a visit to the churches in our Association, that we recommend to our brethren, to contribute to him liberally for the different objects of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted.

W. JONES, *Chairman.*

(E)
WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

The committee on Wake Forest College, submit the following report:

The present condition of the College is encouraging. The number of students for the last year or two, has greatly increased, and notwithstanding some unpropitious circumstances, the friends of the Institution have reason to hope, that their expectations in founding it, will not be disappointed. The most serious cause of difficulty is, that the debt of the College, which has long been pressing upon us, is not yet paid. But a subscription for this purpose, is now in an encouraging state of progress, and if successful, will effectually relieve the College, and thus realize our long cherished hopes.

The advantages which have been already experienced in the progress of the Institution, increases the conviction, originally entertained of the importance of such an Institution to the denomination,

and the necessity of sustaining it with spirit and vigor. To the Baptists of North Carolina, the proper support and prosperity of this Institution is an object, the value of which, cannot well be estimated.

Already, under comparatively unfavorable circumstances, it has exerted an influence valuable to the general cause of education, and honourable to us as a denomination. It has brought out from obscurity, and elevated to a useful and honourable position in society, many, who, otherwise, would never have been known. It has contributed,—and with the liberal patronage of its friends, promises still more effectually, to contribute to the improvement and elevation of our ministry. Through its influence, North Carolina Baptists, as we believe, enjoy the honourable distinction, of having sent out the first foreign missionary from the State. Our brother Yates, now in China, was educated at Wake Forest, and there prepared for the high and honourable position which he is now occupying. With such evidences of good already accomplished, and such prospects of still greater good, we cannot but feel, that the toil and expense incurred by the friends of this Institution, have not been in vain, and that we should be encouraged to prosecute, with vigor, to consummation, what we have so well begun. Your committee feels, that the Institution is entitled to the confidence, the affections, and the liberal support of our Denomination; and we would cordially recommend to them, united and active co-operation, in the efforts now making for the relief of the College from debt, and its elevation to a position of permanent usefulness and dignity. In view of these considerations, your committee would submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we regard Wake Forest College, as constituting one of the most honourable features in our denominational character in this State; and that it promises, with the blessing of God, to be a most valuable means, in promoting the prosperity, and elevating the character of our Denomination.

Resolved, That we should regard a failure in the existing effort for the relief of the College,—and the consequent jopardy into which its very existence would thus be brought—as most unfortunate, both for the general interests of education, and especially, to the character and prospects of our denomination.

Resolved, That we recommend to our brethren and friends, speedy, united, and active effort, in relieving the Institution of its debt, and thus securing the long and fondly cherished hopes of its founders and friends

All of which, is respectfully submitted.

W. H. JORDAN, *Chairman.*

(F)
PERIODICALS.

The Committee on Periodicals would submit the following:

The subject assigned to us is one, having special claims on every enlightened community. They are the great lever by whose influence the standard of morality may be elevated or depressed. Under the unhallowed influence of a corrupt press, the community throughout the Republic, may receive indelible impressions of vice and immorality,—while society is purified and elevated by the beneficial and happifying influence of the press, conducted upon principles of truth and righeousness. In the absence of oral instruction, the religious periodical constitutes a great medium, not only of diffusing the principles of morality, but of disseminating the cardinal principles of the Christian faith. Taking this view of the subject, we cannot too earnestly recommend all our brethren the *necessity* of taking some good religious paper,—and we cannot speak too favourably of the Biblical Recorder, published by our talented and indefatigable brother Meredith, at Raleigh,—and in fact, we cannot see how any intelligent Baptist in North Carolina, can dispense with it. It is true that there may be other papers of equal reputation, but being published in our own State, its editor deeply interested for the prosperity of our common cause, this should give it a preference over all others.

We would also recommend the Baptist Guardian as most valuable, in creating and sustaining a Sunday School interest. And the Southern Missionary Journal, the organ of the Southern Baptist Convention; both of which are published in Richmond Va.

To our brethren in the Ministry we would specially recommend the Baptist Preacher, a monthly pamphlet, published by Elder H. Keeling, in Richmond, Virginia, containing sermons from living Baptist Ministers, at $1 per year. To you brethren, this work is invaluable. A wood cutter could do as well without a grindstone, wherewith to sharpen his axe, as a Baptist Preacher could do without this work,—containing many choice sermons, it is also very valuable to other brethren, especially those who desire to conduct prayer-meetings profitably; the reading of some of these discourses is calculated to effect a great amount of good. All of which, is respectfully submitted.

C. E. BALLARD, *Chairman.*

On Lord's-day, the Word was preached to a large and attentive audience, by Elders Hendrickson, W. H. Jordan, and W. Jones, and we pray that the Holy Spirit may seal the counsel given, to the eternal good of those who listened.

After the second sermon, the brethren appointed to that duty, took up the collection for the Convention, and paid it into the hands of the agent.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk.*

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator.*

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

J. C. Barkly, Jackson.
A. J. Battle, Murfreesboro.
S. Bazemore, Windsor.
A. Berry, South Mills
W. N. Britton, Jr., Pitch Land'g.
A. M. Craig, Hotel,
M. Corbel, Powell's Point.
J. Delk, Pitch Landing.
E. Forbes, ~~Shiloh~~ Camden C H
D. Harrell, Windsor.
W. H. Hardee, Jackson.
~~J. H.~~ Hendrickson, Eliz'th City.
T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
E. Howell, South Quay, Va.
T. Waff. Edenton.
H. J. White, St. Johns.
M. W. Jones, New Lebanon.
R. Jordan. Elizabeth City.
A. Jones, Edenton.
M. L. Mizells, Windsor.
J. Nash, Elizabeth City.
B Nixon, Edenton.
J. Nowell, Coleraine.
S. Patrick, Columbia.
J. Ross, Windsor.
L. Sanderlin, Elizabeth City.
H. Speight, Middle Swamp.
G. M. Thompson, Murfreesboro.
Q. N. Trotman, Mintonsville.
A. Twine, Powell's Point.
W. White, Ballard's Bridge.
H. White, Windsor.

C. R.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge.
J. N. Goodwin, Hertford.
J. N. Hoggard, Windsor.
W. Leary, Edenton.
J. V. Lee, Somerton, Va.
E. Leicester, Windsor.
E. Meacham, Shiloh.
E. Prince, Windsor. — Pierce
J Powell, Conneconara.
J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro.
D Sanderlin, Camden C. H.
J. D. Stokely, South Mills.
E. Wicker. Powell's Point.
H. W. White, Windsor.
John B. Webb, Edenton.

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The Introductory discourse was delivered by Elder Q. H. Trotman, from Mark xvi. 15—"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel," &c. Subject: The great commission.

After a short intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder Hendrickson.

Brethren Askew and Prichard were appointed assistant clerks.

Letters from the churches were then called for and read: From them is prepared the table on the following page.

The list of names being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren present were invited to seats, and to participate in our deliberations; the invitation was accepted by Elder Jno. Culpepper, agent of the Southern Baptist Publication Society, and by Elder Wm. Jones, agent of the N. C. Baptist State Convention.

Brother J. P. Montague was recognised as a delegate from the Tar River Association, and handed in a bundle of Minutes.

A letter of correspondence contained in the Minutes of the Va. Portsmouth Association was read, a bundle of their Minutes laid on the table, and Elder Jacob K. Daughtry and brethren Richard H. Lee and Isaac Lee recognized as corresponding delegates.

Petitionary letters were handed in from churches newly constituted at Robert's Chapel and in Murfreesboro', which were read. The Association being satisfied of their standing and orthodoxy, by the constituting presbyteries, who were present, received the churches into the union, the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

Elders Trotman, Battle, Delk, and Forbes, were appointed a committee of arrangements.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow; prayer by Elder Delk.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Ahoskie,	Jas. Holloman, A. J. Askew, Joseph Holloman,
Antioch,	
Ballard's Bridge,	*Dan'l V. Etheridge*, R. D. Simpson, C. Bunch,
Bethel,	T. Sutton, C. W. Skinner, W. M. Fleetwood,
Bethlehem,	W. J. Perry, H. M. Jones, Ab'm Thomas,
Buckhorn,	T. D. Vann, J. R. Darden, J. W. Barnes,
Capeheart's,	H. WHITE, James Cobb, W. F. McGlanhon,
Cashie,	D. HARRELL, T. C. Watson, N. H. Thompson,
Coleraine,	S. White, J. Smith, L. Evans,
Connaritsa,	W. W. Mitchell, L. White, W. Sharrock,
Conneconara,	*J. Powell*, B. Bishop, E. P. Powell,
Coal Spring,	Asa Hill, M. Howell, John M. Matthews,
Edenton,	T. WAFF, C. G. Manning, A. JONES,
Elizabeth City,	C. R. HENDRICKSON, W. D. Prichard, R. Simpson,
Free Chapel,	
Great Fork,	O. P. Savage, T. Pearce, J. S. Pearce,
Holly Grove,	J. S. Mitchell, W. J. Freeman, W. D. Wynns,
Meherrin,	G. M. THOMPSON, D. Vincent, E. Vaughn,
Middle Swamp,	H. SPEIGHT, C. E. Ballard, S. Rountree,
Mt. Tabor,	W. Darden, R. B. Cobb, T. D. Jenkins,
Mt. Carmel,	J. G. BARKLY, E. Stevenson, J. Gay,*
Mt. Zion,	E. P. Melson,* W. Beasly,* *T. W. Rayfield*,
Murfreesboro',	M. R. FORY, W. N. Adkins, Wm. E. Poole,
Piney Grove,	E. HOWELL, *J. P. Lee*, E. D. B. Howell,
Pleasant Grove,	G. C. Moore, A. J. Perry, Sam'l Maget,
Potecasi,	M. Baum, M. Cook, N. Blanchard,
Powell's Point,	M. CORBELL,* W. S. Harrison,* R. Meekins,*
Providence,	T. Williams,* J. Bell,* J. Baxter,
Quankie,	
Ramoth Gilead,	J. D. STOKELY, A. Spence, J. Carver,
Republican,	J. H. Bunch, S. D. Bunch, T. Cherry,*
Roanoke Island,	A. TWINE,* E. Meekins,* J. F. Wright,*
Robert's Chapel,	Wm. Boone, James Atkinson, Isaac Baughan,
Rocky Hock,	*J. B. Webb*, J. Bonner, W. Bonner,
Ross M. H.,	W. J. Witchell, H. White, W. H. Hughes,
Salem,	G. W. Pendleton,* F. Fletcher, E. Pendleton,
Sandy Cross,	Q. H. TROTMAN, W. Stallings, J. White,
Sandy Run,	A. M. CRAIG, Wm. H. Lee, J. Harrell,
Sawyer's Creek,	E. FORBES, W. P. Forbes, J. B. Morgan,
Shady Grove,	J. Etheridge,* Daniel Lee,*
Shiloh,	A. BERRY, J. Walston, E. F. Beachum,
Sound Side,	J. Halsy,* J. Rhodes,*
Spence's M. H.,	J. N. Overton, T. S. Jones, L. D. Broughton,*
Vasser's M. H.,	P. H. Stevenson, J. R. Kee,* Wm. Carstarphen,*
Yoppim,	Joseph Benbury, Aug. Wilder,

*Absent—ordained ministers in SMALL CAPS—licentiates in *Italics*.

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FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1849.

Association met according to adjournment, prayer by Elder Culpepper.

Roll was called.

Committee of arrangements reported: report received and committee discharged.

Rules of decorum were read.

Brethren A. J. Perry, Vann, and Boon, were appointed a committee to supply the pulpit with preaching until Lord's day.

On Finance, A. J. Askew, J. W. Barnes, and W. W. Mitchell.

On Ordination, Morgan, Skinner, and J. Baughn.

On State of Religion, Elders Jones, Thompson, and Speight.

On State of Convention, Elders Wm. Jones, R. D. Simpson, and J. R. Darden.

On Wake Forest College, McDowell, J. S. Mitchell, Carver.

On Foreign Missions, Elders Hendrickson, Stallings, and Thompson.

On Education and Chowan Female Institute, Elders Battle, Waff, and brother Baxter.

On Southern Baptist Publication Society, Elders Culpepper, Prichard, and Forbes.

On Periodicals, Elders Trotman, Delk, and Craig.

On Sunday Schools, Elders Britton, E. P. Powell, and R. B. Cobb.

On Temperance, Elders Harrell, Fleetwood, and Manning.

Elder A. Jones was selected to preach the conventional sermon before the next Association. Elder Delk the alternate.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be holden with the church at Elizabeth City, to commence on Thursday before the 3rd Lord's day in May, 1850. Elder Fory to deliver the introductory sermon. Elder Battle the alternate.

Elder Hendrickson was appointed to preach a sermon on ministerial education on Friday evening of the next association.

Elder Delk was appointed to preach on the Deaconship on Saturday evening of the next association. Elder Britton the alternate.

Elder Fory was allowed one hour to deliver a lecture, which is to be illustrated with experiments on the philosophical apparatus of the Female Institute.

Elder Battle was appointed to write to the Union Association, and Elders Battle, Craig, and brother E. P. Powell, were appointed bearers of it.

Brother Prichard was appointed to write to the Tar River Association, and Elder Thompson and brethren Jesse Powell and Askew the bearers.

Elder Barkly was appointed to write to the Concord Association, and Elders Barkly, Delk, and Hardy the bearers.

Clerk was appointed to write to the Portsmouth Association. Bro. Moore, and Elders Delk, Britton, Barkly, Battle and Fory, the bearers.

The Association then took a recess, during which the Committee on Finance sat.

On re-assembling, the Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Present contributions,		$84 00
Amount in the treasury,		81 76
Contra,		$165 76
Printing Minutes of 1848,	62 00	
Transcribing same,	25 00	87 00
Balance in treasury,		$78 76

Committee appointed by last Association to prepare articles of faith, reported. After a protracted discussion, the report was recommitted, with instructions to the committee to append corroborating passages from the Holy Scriptures.

The Committee appointed last year to visit the church at Friendship being unable to report, asked further time, which was granted.

On motion, adjourned to 9 A. M., to-morrow; prayer by Elder Trotman. Elders Waff and Culpepper preached in the grove today.

SATURDAY, May 19th, 1849.

Association met according to adjournment, prayer by Elder Thompson.

Roll was called.

Committee on the Declaration of Principles reported; report received, and committee discharged. Report adopted as the declaration of the faith of this body, and ordered to be appended to the Minutes. Letter A, in appendix.

Committee on ordination reported; report was recommitted to the committee, and brethren Forbes, Prichard, Stallings, and R. B. Cobb, were added to the committee.

Committee on Chowan Female Institute reported; the report was received and committee discharged. See letter B, in appendix.

Whereas, censures have been cast upon Elder Battle on account of the baptism of certain young ladies in Murfreesboro', in April last:

Resolved, That our confidence in Elder Battle, as a minister of the gospel, remains unimpaired.

Elders Hendrickson, Forbes, and Fory were appointed to preach on Lord's-day.

Association took a recess of forty minutes.

On re-assembling, the committee on the state of religion reported; report received and committee discharged. Letter C, in appendix.

Committee on N. C. Baptist State Convention reported. Letter D, in appendix.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported. Letter E, in appendix.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported. Letter F, in appendix.

Committee on Southern Baptist Publication Society reported. Letter G, in appendix.

Committee on Periodicals reported. Letter H.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported. Letter I.

Committee on Temperance reported. Letter J.

Committee on Ordination reported in behalf of the ordination of the licentiates sent up from the churches at Capeheart's and Ballard's Bridge, and against the ordination of the licentiate from Mt. Zion; report was received and the committee discharged.

Elders Trotman, Forbes, Speight, and Jones were appointed to examine the candidates recommended for ordination. In behalf of the committee, Elder Jones then proceeded to examine the brethren recommended, (Etheridge and Hoggard,) in the presence of the Association. The examination proving satisfactory, they were declared worthy of ordination.

Elders Wm. White, Trotman, and Forbes, were appointed a presbytery to ordain brother Etheridge at Ballard's Bridge, on Friday before 2d Lord's-day in August next.

Elders Henry White, Trotman, and A. Jones, were appointed a presbytery to ordain brother Hoggard at Capeheart's M. H., on 2d Lord's-day in July next.

The committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of publishing a series of historical lectures by one of our pastors, reported, recommending their publication.

Ordered that the clerk have 2,500 copies of these Minutes printed; that Elder Trotman distribute them in Yoppim Union Meeting; Elder Newell in the Bertie, and Elder Forbes in the Camden and Currituck, Washington and Tyrrell Union Meetings. Brethren A. J. Perry, Sam'l Maget, W. W. Mitchell, A. J. Askew, C. E. Ballard, and Henry Yatling, Esq. were appointed to take up a collection after the second sermon on Lord's-day. Moderator is authorized to appoint delegates to represent us in the Convention.

The Association expressed its thanks to the brethren and friends for the kind manner in which it has been entertained during the present session.

It was ordered that our thanks be solemnly recorded to our Heavenly Father for the peace and good order that have pervaded our body during the meeting.

Elders Delk, Daughtry, and Berkly preached in the grove to-day.

The Association then adjourned, prayer by Elder Jones.

Brethren took the parting hand, and embraced each other. While singing "When I can read my title clear," the heaving breast and moistened eye feebly betokened the feeling of deep affection that struggled in each bosom.

On Lord's-day, Elder Hendrickson preached from Matt. xxviii. 19, 20. Refutation of Pedobaptism.

Elder Forbes preached from 1 John iii. 18: Conventional discourse.

The collection taken up after it, amounted to $30.

In the afternoon, Elder Fory preached from John v. 22, 23. Subject—The Divinity of Christ.

An immense congregation were present, and we trust that the great cause of truth and righteousness was eminently promoted.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator.*

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

(A)
A Declaration of Religious Principles,

As held by the Churches composing the Chowan Association of North Carolina, May 19, 1849.

I. *Of the Scriptures.*—We believe the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us; and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true centre of Christian Union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and opinions should be tried. 2 Tim. iii. 16; 2 Peter i. 21.

II. *Of the true God.*—That there is one, and only one, true and living God, whose name is JEHOVAH, the Maker and Supreme Ruler of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness; worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love; revealed under the personal and relative distinctions of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct, but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption. Gen. i. 1—17; Isaiah xliv. 6, 8; Heb. ii. 10.

III. *Of the Fall of Man.*—That man was created in a state of holiness, under the law of his Maker, but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint but choice; being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, of Satan and their own sinful passions, and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defence or excuse. Gen. i. 27; vi. 5; Rom. v. 12; viii. 6, 7, 8; Eph. ii. 1.

IV. *Of the Way of Salvation.*—That the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace, through the mediatorial offices of the Son of God, who took upon him our nature, yet without sin; honored the law by his personal obedience, and made atonement for our sins by his death; having risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, is every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an all-sufficient Saviour. Rom. v. 8; iv. 25; Eph. ii. 8, 9; 2 Cor. v. 21; Heb. vii. 25.

V. *Of Justification.*—That the great Gospel blessing which Christ of his fulness bestows on such as believe in Him, is justification; that justification consists in the pardon of sin and the promise of eternal life, on principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through his own redemption and righteousness; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God,

and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity. Eph. ii. 8, 9; Gal. ii. 16; Rom. v. 1.

VI. *Of the Freeness of Salvation.*—That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by a cordial and obedient faith; and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, except his own voluntary refusal to submit to the Lord Jesus Christ, which refusal will subject him to an aggravated condemnation. John iii. 16; Isa. lv. 1; Ezek. xxxiii. 11; Rev. xxii. 17; John v. 40.

VII. *Of Grace in Regeneration.*—That in order to be saved, we must be regenerated or born again; that regeneration consists in giving a holy disposition to the mind, and is effected by the power of the Holy Spirit, through the instrumentality of the word of God; so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the Gospel; and that its proper evidence is found in the holy fruit which we bring forth to the glory of God. John iii. 3—7, 8; 2 Thes. ii. 13; Eph. vi. 17.

VIII. *Of God's Purpose of Grace.*—That election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which he regenerates, sanctifies, and saves sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely wise, holy and unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting, and promotes humility, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it is ascertained by its effects in all who believe the Gospel; is the foundation of Christian assurance; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves, demands and deserves our utmost diligence. Deut. vii. 6; Eph. i. 3, 4; 1 Peter i. 2; Rom. v. 8; Eph. ii. 8.

IX. *Of the Perseverance of Saints.*—That such only are real believers as endure unto the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation. Luke x. 42; 1 Pet. i. 3, 4, 5; Heb. vi. 17, 18, 19, 20.

X. *Harmony of the Law and Gospvl.*—That the law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of his moral government; that it is holy, just and good; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfil its precepts, arises entirely from their love of sin; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy law, is the great end of the Gospel. Rom. iii. 19, 20, 21; v. 21; John iii. 19, 20; Tit. iii. 8.

XI. *Of the Church of Christ.*—That a church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by his laws; and exercising the gifts, rights and privileges invested in them by his word; that its only proper officers are bishops or pastors, and deacons, whose qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the Epistles to Timothy and Titus. Mat. xxviii. 18, 19, 20; 2 Tim. ii. 2; 1 Tim. i. 1—8; Tit. i. 7.

On motion of Elder Trotman, seconded by Elder Fory, it was resolved that the 13th article of our declaration of principles be amended so as to strike out the words "and is the medium, through which we enjoy that spiritual life which we had before possessed," and insert in lieu thereof—"and is the answer of a good conscience towards God."

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XII. *Of Church Independence.*—That every church is independent in matters of discipline; and that Associations, Councils and Conferences of several ministers, or churches, are not to impose on the churches, the keeping, holding, or maintaining any principle or practice, contrary to the church's judgment. Acts xx. 28; xv. 22.

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XIV. *Of the Christian Sabbath.*—That the first day of the week is the Lord's-day, or Christian Sabbath, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor and recreations; by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public; and by preparation for that rest which remaineth for the people of God. Col. ii. 16; Acts xv. 21; xx. 7; John xx. 19.

XV. *Of Civil Government.*—That civil government is of divine appointment, for the interests and good order of human society; and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed, except in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience, and the Prince of the kings of the earth. 1 Pet. ii. 13, 14; Mat. xxii. 21.

XVI. *Of the Righteous and the Wicked.*—That there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked, and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in and after death. Mat. iii. 18; Rom. viii. 1; iv. 21, 22; John iii. 18; Mat. xxv. 46.

XVII. *Of the World to Come.*—That the end of this world is approaching; and at the last day, Christ will descend from heaven, and raise the dead from the grave to final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to endless punishment, and the righteous to endless joy; and that this judgment will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness. Mat. xxiv. 30; 2 Cor. v. 10; Mat. xxiv. 26; xxv. 46.

(B)
EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education connected with the Chowan Female Institute, beg leave to report, that the Trustees appointed at

(C)
ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Committee on the state of religion in the bounds of our Association beg leave to report:—

Our most devout thanks are due to the God of all grace, for his continued favor to the churches during the past year. The Holy Spirit has accompanied the word preached in a signal manner, and as a result, nearly 1000 souls have been added to this great branch of the great Baptist family. We are gratified to perceive, too, that love, joy and peace, the first fruits of the Holy Spirit, are abounding more and more; and we trust that the sister graces, "long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness and temperance," are remembered with equal zeal as a part of the Christian character. It is clearly manifest that there is an increasing conformity to the mind and will of Christ, doctrinally, experimentally and practically. The forbearance, brotherly kindness and fervent charity which all the letters express, are cheering evidences of the desire "to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace." But while we rejoice in this expression of opinion and feeling, your Committee would urge brethren to still greater proficiency in divine life; to still higher attainments in practical usefulness. The standard which should govern us requires not only to be "steadfast in contending for the faith once delivered to the saints," but "to be always abounding in the work of the Lord." Religion should not only regulate our thoughts and opinions, but our acts; not only our faith, but our practice also. It should qualify us to live, as well as to die; for earth, as well as heaven; for time, as well as for eternity. In every state, the will of God should be our standard. The Christian Church was intended to be a universal blessing to mankind. This is the point to which not only the church, but every individual Christian should aim. It is "the light of the world;" it reflects the radiance of the divine benevolence upon the darkness of human selfishness; the "salt of the earth," it preserves the world from moral corruption; it purifies it from the immoral taint of sin so far as its influence is exerted and felt. And says the Saviour, "Let your light *so* shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Oh, brethren, remember the words of Jesus, and "as new-born babes, sincerely desire the milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby."

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Your Committee on the Baptist State Convention beg leave to submit:—

That this Institution has been in operation during the last twenty years, and that under its influence, much good has been accomplished. Its objects are purely benevolent, and must commend themselves

to every philanthropic heart. For the accomplishment of any important object, there must be union and concentration of effort. The ocean is formed by the small particles of water, first drops forming streams, these rivulets, and these larger bodies of water, on which we have intercourse with the world. Thus, if all Baptists would unite in benevolent efforts, and concentrate them to any one point, what is there which they could not accomplish for Christ's kingdom in this world? We present the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina as the point to which our efforts should be chiefly directed. Should its objects be carried out, the destitute parts of our State will ere long be supplied with an efficient ministry, able to contend for the faith once delivered to the saints; and others will be qualified to bear the glad tidings of salvation to the benighted heathen. The Convention has under its patronage this year four young men, who are pursuing their studies at Wake Forest College preparatory to greater usefulness in the ministry. Six or seven miasionaries are actively engaged in supplying the destitute portions of our State; and our beloved brother and sister Yates, already in China, are prepared to preach Christ in the language of that idolatrous people. For the support of these objects, the Convention is dependant upon the contributions of its friends; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend to the churches composing the Chowan Association a hearty co-operation and united effort in carrying out the objects of this Convention.

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Your Committee are happy to be able to communicate these facts, which they know will be as grateful to you as to them. They feel that a very important work has already been done, but they feel also that much yet remains to be accomplished. We must not forsake our College until, by endowment, it has been placed beyond the reach of contingency; for then, and not till then, will it be permanent, and will exert that extended and hallowed influence upon the destinies of our State and the world which we hope for from it.

A. McDOWELL, *Ch. Com.*

(F)
ON MISSIONS.

As the churches are not in the habit of reporting the amount of their contributions for Foreign Missions, your Committee have no means of ascertaining the degree of interest that prevails on this subject.

We suppose, however, that the silence of the churches on this subject is a sure indication that the missionary spirit is not very active. This is a matter of deep regret. The last command of the Redeemer to his church was, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." That command stands unrepealed. It still remains obligatory upon every church.

Besides this imperative command, which no church can neglect without incurring great guilt, there is another important consideration derived from the adaptation of the gospel to the wants of the world. Man is lost; the gospel reveals a Saviour. Man is guilty; the gospel offers pardon. Man is polluted; the gospel points to the blood which cleanseth from all sin. Man is the heir of hell; the gospel directs to the grandeur of heaven. There is no possible condition of humanity conceivable by the human mind, for which the gospel does not provide an amelioration. This gospel belongs to man—to every man;—it is the gift of a righteous and merciful God to his sinful creatures. It is confined to no age—to no place:—it is universal in all its aspects. But without the knowledge of this gospel, no man can be saved. And there is no organization, no institution on earth, that can or will convey the tidings of salvation to all people, but the Church of Christ—the saints of the Most High: If they fail in carrying out the purposes and commands of the Redeemer, men must perish in their sins and blood. Can we let our fellow-sinners sink down to perdition, when we have the means of raising them to the skies? Humanity, religion, every creature in whose bosom the fountain of compassion and love is not dried up, shudders at the thought. The heart-rending cries of dying millions call upon us for help. The agonized shout of Asia, mingling with the tears of Africa, appeals to us for relief. The heaving masses of Europe, the up-lifted hands of new-born freemen on the continent, in France, Italy and Germany, all demand the gospel to heal the wounds of sin, and soothe their care-worn hearts. The aborigines of North America, the sons and daughters of Old Spain in Mexico, and the priest-

ridden myriads of South America, speak to us as with the voice of God. The signs of the times, the developements of Providence, the progress of religious and civil liberty, all proclaim that the time is forthcoming in which the Bible will become the universal statute-book, and the church of the living God shall become the house of refuge for all the guilty of our race. The hosts of the church are preparing for the conflict. They are uniting themselves to assail the strong holds of superstition, sin and error. They are bringing their gold and silver to the treasury of the Lord. Sons and daughters are given to God by their parents to become standard-bearers of salvation. A general activity is seen throughout Christendom.—And shall we be in the rear of our brethren? Let every church answer no. Let us share in the dangers of the battle, and then we too, shall wear the laurels of victory. Our churches can do more—they ought to do more to sustain and increase the number of our missions. Did our eight thousand members average in their contributi ns only fifty cents each, we could sustain in China or Africa eight self-denying and well-qualified missionaries. We could send at least eight thousand Bibles to as many perishing families; and these Bibles might descend to the third and fourth generations. Brethren, think of your responsibilities—think of the luxury of doing good—think of perishing nations—think of the glory of Christ—and then, after mature reflection, consecrate to God your property as well as your persons.

We commend to the churches the following resolutions:

Resolved, That so imperative is the command of Christ to preach the gospel, and so alarming is the condition of the heathen world without the gospel, that the churches of the Association are earnestly requested to make renewed and increased efforts in behalf of our Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That each pastor in the Association be affectionately entreated to bring the subject of Missions before his people, by preaching an appropriate sermon, and also to take up a collection and subscriptions in behalf of the enterprize, at such times as may be most convenient.

Resolved, That we commend to all our churches both the Missionary Journal and the Commission, published by our Southern Board of Missions at Richmond, Va.

C. R. HENDRICKSON, *Ch'n.*

(G)
SOUTHERN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

The Committee on the Southern Baptist Publication Society respectfully submits the following report:

The Scriptures authorize us to believe that a period will arrive when the conversions of men to holiness will be much more numerous, and proceed upon a vastly more extensive scale than the world has yet witnessed. The great work of thus turning men "from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God," is com-

mitted to the Church of Christ, she being made "the pillar and the ground of the truth." "Israel (it is said) shall blossom and bud, and fill the face of the earth with fruit." Before "a nation shall be born in a day," the church must acquire a vast increase of efficiency; and shine with a light incomparably more brilliant than she has yet cast upon the world; otherwise "the Gentiles" will not "come to her light," nor "kings to the brightness of her rising." The expectation of another and a better gospel would be impious in the highest degree; the hope of imparting higher elements for success to the glorious gospel which God has given us is no less dishonoring to the divine character, and altogether vain. The church must, therefore, greatly increase her efforts to spread the triumphs of the cross, and obtain greater skill in bringing the truths of Revelation to bear upon the hearts and consciences of men. The influence of the church over the unconverted, falls far short of what it must be to secure the requisite measures of success. Holiness in all her members, far surpassing their present attainments, is essential to the exercise of such an influence. Additional weight, however, may be imparted to this influence by an increase of knowledge. So long as the world keeps in advance of the church, the influence of the latter must remain in a crippled state. We contemplate with delight the increase of good seminaries of learning for the youth of both sexes; but these increase the responsibilities of the church to furnish a pure literature conforming to the word of God, and chastened by the spirit of piety, to all who can be prevailed upon to receive it. The wicked are flooding the world with publications, all injurious, and many of them destructive to virtue and religion. These must be displaced by those which are good and saving, or the increase of knowledge will be attended by an increase of vice and infidelity. To supply this demand in the manner best calculated to secure success in the Southern States, the Southern Baptist Publication Society has been organized. We, therefore, look upon it as a very important auxiliary in accomplishing the great work before us.

The Church, in her successful struggle against the powers of darkness, to recover men to holiness, must enlist the energies of all her members in the great work of saving souls. Those who are called to preach must "make full proof of their ministry"—those who can teach in the Sabbath school, must do it with their might—others must unite for the Lord, and furnish the right quality of books, to still another class, who can pass through the length and breadth of the land; distributing books, forming Sabbath schools, and preaching by the fireside—all others aiding by their prayers and contributions. The power of the press must be worked to the best advantage; and to carry on the work, this Publication Society is considered to be the appropriate instrumentality. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That we heartily commend the Southern Baptist Publication Society to the prayers and liberal support of all Southern Baptists.

JNO. CULPEPPER, *Chairman.*

(H)
PERIODICALS.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Periodicals beg leave to submit to your consideration the importance of amply sustaining our highly esteemed brother Meredith in the enterprize in which he is engaged of editing and publishing the Biblical Recorder. We should feel bound to do so for various reasons—one of which is, he is almost worn down by age and disease, while the flower of his life has been spent within our State, and much of that time within the bounds of our Association, during which time he has in an able and effective manner, both from the pulpit and from the press, successfully propagated and defended our views as Baptists. While Northern fanatics have been pouring upon us the vials of their wrath, because of the institution of slavery at the South, the Recorder has measured lances with them and repulsed the enemy at every point from which he has chosen to attack us. And when our fondly cherished views as a denomination have been attacked by the Man of Sin fighting under various flags, with professions of friendship upon his lips, but with enmity rankling in his bosom, the Recorder has torn away the veil of deception, and exhibited him to the world in his own native deformity, and with the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, has driven him from the field.

In view of these facts, with others that might be named, we, as an Association, should present an undivided front in sustaining the Biblical Recorder. We therefore hope some measure will be adopted at this meeting of the Association by which the editor may be assured that he will receive a more liberal support from the members composing our churches than he has hitherto received. If the Recorder could be amply sustained the editor would be enabled thereby to make it every thing that the Baptists of North Carolina could ask for in the shape of a religious newspaper;

Therefore, *Resolved*, That we heartily approve of the Recorder as a denominational paper.

Furthermore, *Resolved*, That we will use our best endeavors to increase the number of subscribers to the Recorder, and thereby place it upon a permanent basis.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

THE COMMITTEE.

(J)
TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance would report—

The cause of Temperance calls loudly upon us, at this time, to say a word in its behalf; and it does so, by presenting to our consideration its good consequences. If the warning be listened to, we shall be benefitted thereby. The injunction of the Apostle is, "be sober and watch unto prayer." Then, if we are Christians, we must love

the cause of Temperance, and be its advocates in order to do good and communicate. We only have to notice the bad consequences of intemperance, in order to see the necessity of temperance. Its claims, then, should be considered by us, as the disciples of Christ; and let us be the strong advocates of this praiseworthy object.

In view of the importance of the subject, we would respectfully submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That we, as brethren, and as Christians, do hold in high estimation the noble object contemplated by the Temperance reformation.

D. HARRELL, *Chairman.*

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W. Leary, Edenton.
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P. Jordan, Elizabeth City.
A. Jones, Edenton.
M. L. Mizells, Windsor.
J. Nash, Elizabeth City.
B. Nixon, Edenton.
J. Nowell, Coleraine.
A. Patrick, Columbia.
J. Ross, Windsor.
L. Sanderlin, Elizabeth City.
H. Speight, Middle Swamp.
G. M. Thompson, Murfreesboro.
Q. H. Trotman, Mintonsville.
A. Twine, Powell's Point.
W. White, Ballard's Bridge.
H. White, Windsor.
J. D. Stokely, South Mills.

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Horatio Bass, Edenton.
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E. Leicester, Windsor
J. Powell, Conneconara.
J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro.
John B. Webb, Edenton.

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HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

ELIZABETH CITY, PASQUOTANK CO., N. C.

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5. A. M. Craig, Hotel,
6. M. Corbel, Powell's Point,
7. J. Delk, Pitch Landing,
8. D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Br.,
9. E. Forbes, Camden C. H.,
10. M. R. Fory, Murfreesboro,
11. D. Harrell, Windsor,
12. W. H. Hardee, Jackson,
13. C. R. Hendrickson, E. City,
14. T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing,
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16. E. Howell, Factory Hill, Va.,
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19. Aaron Jones, Edenton,
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21. M. L. Mizells, Windsor,
22. James Nash, Elizabeth City,
23. B. Nixon, Edenton,
24. J. Nowell, Coleraine,
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30. Q. H. Trotman, Mintonsville,
31. A. Twine, Powell's Point,
32. H. White, Windsor,
33. H. J. White, St. Johns.

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5. B. Lassiter, Edenton,
6. E. Leicester, Windsor,
7. E. Pierce, Windsor,
8. J. Powell, Coneconara,
9. Abram Pruden, Gatesville,
10. J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro,
11. J. B. Webb, Edenton.

PROCEEDINGS, &c.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., Thursday, May 16th, 1850.

The Introductory discourse was delivered by Elder M. R. Fory, from 1 Cor. III. 12th and 13th. "Now if any man build upon this foundation &c."

After a short intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder Berry.

Brethren Pritchard and Bond were appointed assistant clerks.

Letters from the churches were then called for and read; from them is proposed the table on the following page.

The list of names being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren present were invited to seats and to participate in our deliberations; the invitation was accepted by Elder Isaac Merriam of Wake Forest—Elder R. H. Land was recognized as a corresponding delegate from the Portsmouth Association.

A letter contained in the Minutes of the Union Association was read, and copies of their minutes were laid on the table.

Committee appointed at our last session to visit the church at Friendship, reported through Elder Berry that they had attended to the duties assigned them. Report was received and committee discharged. The Clerk was instructed to reply to the letter.

Elders Trotman, Thompson, and Waff, were appointed a Committee of arrangements.

The rules of order of 1842 were read and adopted for the government of this body.

Adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow: prayer by Elder Thompson. Elder A. Jones preached in the Baptist Church at candle lighting.

FRIDAY, May 17, 1850.

Association met: prayer by Elder A. Jones.

Roll was called--proceedings of yesterday were read. Elder Hume being present this morning, was recognized as a corresponding delegate from the Portsmouth Association; he laid copies of the minutes of the last session of that body on the table.

Committee of arrangements reported: report was received and Committee discharged.

Elder Hendrickson, brethren Pritchard and Sanderlin were appointed a Committee on religious services.

On Finance, brethren Mitchell, J. Parker, and Spires.

On State Convention, Elder Hendrickson, brethren Wm. P. Forbes, and Simpson.

On state of Religion, Elders Thompson, Britton and Berry.

On W. F. College, Elders Merriam, Waff and Baxter.

On Home Missions, brethren J. R. Darden, S. T. Bond, and J. Baxter.

On Ordination, brethren Elisha Felton, Stallings, J. R. Darden, W. Darden, and J. B. Morgan.

On C. F. Institute, Elder Fory, brethren Boone, J. Parker, Stallings, and J. B. Morgan.

On Temperance, Elders Land, Speight, and Nowell.

On Sunday Schools, Elder A. Jones, brethren A. W. Darden, and J. B Webb.

On Foreign Missions, Elders Hendrickson, Fory, and Etheridge.

On Tracts and Publications, Elders Hume, Twine, and brother Jenkins.

QUERIES.

Can a member of the Church rightfully claim the erasure of his name from the Church rolls and thereby absolve himself from the authority of the Church? Q. H. Trotman.—Answer. No. While we respond in the negative, we would urge the churches to pursue a course of tenderness and forbearance, marked by sound discretion, which may lead to the withdrawal of applications of the kind referred to; and issue in the satisfactory adjustment of all difficulties connected therewith.

What are the requisites to membership in this Association? Q. H. Trotman.—Answer. Membership in good standing in a church in connection with this body, and the appointment certified in the Associational letter.

Resolved, That the next meeting of this body be held with the church at Bethlehem, Hertford county, to commence on Thursday before 3d Lord's day in May, 1851. Elder A. Jones to preach the Introductory; and Elder Waff his alternate.

Elder Thompson was appointed to preach the Conventional Sermon and Elder Craig his alternate.

Association took a recess of an hour.

Resolved, That in future, standing committees be appointed the year previous to that in which they are to report. Committee on ordination reported favorably on the application of the church at Rocky Hock for the ordination of brother John B. Webb. Report

received and Committee discharged. Elder Hume was requested to examine the candidate at 10 A. M. to-morrow in the presence of the Association.

Instead of the usual letters ordered to be written to corresponding Associations, it was agreed that the Moderator prepare a general letter of correspondence to be inserted in our minutes.

On motion of Elder Trotman, seconded by Elder Fory, it was resolved that the 13th article of our declaration of principles be amended so as to strike out the words "and is the medium, through which we enjoy that spiritual life which we had before possessed," and insert in lieu thereof—"and is the answer of a good conscience towards God."

Committee on Finance reported as follows :—

Present contributions,		$68 25
In the treasury,		78 76
Contra		147 01
Printing of minutes of 1849,	69 00	
Transcribing the same,	25 00	
Printing articles of Faith,	5 00	99 00
Amt. in the treasury,		48 01

Elders Fory, Hendrickson, and A. Jones were appointed delegates to the Portsmouth Association.

Elders Britton, Craig, and Bro. Wheeler, to the Union Association. Elders Thompson, Barkly, and Trotman, to the Tar River Association. Elders Delk, Harrell, and Waff, to the Concord Association.

On motion, the Association adjourned to 9 A. M. to morrow : prayer by Elder Hendrickson. Elders Land and Merriam preached in the Methodist church at 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. Elder Hendrickson by request of the last Association in the Baptist church at 7 1-2 P. M.

Saturday, May 18th, 1850.

Association met at 9 A. M. Prayer by Elder Britton. Roll was called.

Committee on state of religion not being prepared to report, were continued, with instructions to report at our next session.

In accordance with the order of the Association yesterday, Elder Hume proceeded to examine Bro J. B. Webb (sent up from the church at Rocky Hock for ordination) in the presence of the body. After the examination it was agreed that Bro. Webb be ordained.

Brethren Fleetwood, Holly, aad Elder Etheridge were appointed a committee to provide the means of educating Bro. Webb.—

Association took a recess of one hour.

On re-assembling, the chair announced Elders Trotman, Waff, and Nixon as the presbytery to ordain Bro. Webb on Saturday before 1st Lord's day in June next.

Committee on Home Missions reported. Report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter A.

Committee on State Convention reported. Report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix letter B.

Committee on Temperance reported. Report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter C.

Committee on Publications and Tracts reported. Report received and committee discharged. See Appendix, letter D.

Committee on the subject of aiding Bro. Webb reported. Report received and Committee discharged.

Committee on the Chowan Female Institute reported. Report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter E.

Resolved, That this Association has perfect confidence in the ability of the Board of Trustees and faculty of the Chowan Female Institute to manage their affairs, and that we appreciate their laudable efforts to promote the interest of the Institute.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported. Report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter F.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported. Report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter G.

Committee on Foreign Missions not be prepared to report, was excused and Elders Hendrickson, Speight and Bro. Pritchard, were appointed to prepare a report for the next Association.

The following committees were appointed to report before the next Association on the subjects named.

On N. C. State Convention, Elders Britton, Nowell and Bro. J. Smith.

On Sunday Schools, Elder Fory, bre'n Wheeler and W. Darden.

On Home Missions, Elders Trotman, Hendrickson, and A Jones.

On Temperance, Elders A. Jones, Waff, and bro. S. T. Bond.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be, and are hereby presented to our Methodist brethren for the use of their house of worship during our Session.

The thanks of the Association were voted to our brethren and other citizens of this place for their kindness in entertaining the delegates to this body.

Resolved, That a Mass Missionary meeting be held in the Baptist Church at 7 1-2 P. M. on Lord's day.

Resolved, That the Trustees of C. F. Institute be instructed to receive proposals for the erection of the proposed new edifice in a new location, and that should a new site be offered on more advantageous terms, that they be instructed to accept it.

Resolved, That 2,500 copies of these minutes be printed and distributed as usual—and that the Circular of the C. F. Institute be appended to them.

Saturday before 1st Lord's day in July was requested to be observed as a day of fasting and prayer for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our churches.

Association then adjourned—prayer by Elder Hendrickson.

Elders Britton, Nowell and Hume preached in the Methodist church at 11 A. M., 3 P. M., and 7 1-2 P. M. Elder Merriam in the Baptist church at 7 1-2 P. M.

G. C. MOORE, *Mod'r.*

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk.*

SUNDAY, May 19, 1850.

Elders Hume and Trotman preached in Baptist church at 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. Elders Fory and Speight in the Methodist church at same hours. Elder Merriam preached to the colored people.—At 7 1-2 P. M. a mass missionary meeting was held in the Baptist church. Congregations were large and attentive, and we trust that the cause of Christ was advanced. Collections for the Convention amounted to $52.

APPENDIX.

[A.]

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee would respectfully report that in considering the subject of Home Missions, they are deeply impressed with the magnitude of the subject.

While it is vastly important that we give attention to the Foreign field, we cannot but regard it as of primary importance that we devote our mightiest energies to that at home. This will be seen from the following facts.

First. The spread of the Gospel abroad depends, under God, upon the success of the Gospel at home. There must be churches to sustain foreign missions; these churches must be established at home. If, therefore, the home field be neglected, we are cut off from our resources by which we are to cultivate the field abroad. Again, the field at home greatly needs cultivation. Every where are marks of moral sterility. There is a gross inconsistency in seeking objects of charity abroad when we have sufficient room for the exercise of the largest benevolence at home. Let us not be understood as opposing Foreign Missions: we would have them receive even a more ample support than they have thus far enjoyed; we would have every isle visited by the missionaries of the cross. But while this be done, we would also have increased effort made for the field at home. The governing principle should be, not less for Foreign, but much more for Home Missions. Your Committee would call the attention of the Association to the distribution of religious works among the destitute. In the absence of the living teacher this is of vast importance. The circulation of good books has been productive of immense good, in many destitue sections, and encourages us to vigorous efforts in this most important work. Another important consideration is that a vigorous prosecution of the work at home, will furnish most profitable employment to the church. To be spiritually healthy, we must be spiritually active. This is as true in a moral as in a physical sense. We urge, therefore, most earnestly, that increased attention be given to the home field, fully confident that it will be productive of the most happy results in spreading the gospel abroad.

Your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a standing Committee be appointed for the purpose of selecting one or more brethren to travel through our bounds, in the capacity of Home missionaries and colporteurs.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

S. T. BOND, *Chm'n.*

[B.]

REPORT ON THE N. C. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Your Committee on the State Convention offer the following as their report.

The objects of the Convention commend themselves to every intelligent and spiritual Baptist, as worthy of liberal and cheerful patronage. The education of pious young men for the ministry, the establishment of churches in destitute sections of the State, and the propagation of the gospel in Foreign lands, contemplate the best interests of our fellow men, and the glory of our exalted Redeemer.

But worthy as are these objects, identified as they are with the true prosperity of the churches, and essential as they are to the advancement of Christ's kingdom, we regret to learn from the Secretary of the Board, that they cannot be promoted as they should be for want of adequate funds. Extensive fields of usefulness are now inviting us to thrust in the sickle, but our Board are compelled to turn away from them. Young men are coming forward to be trained for efficient service; but the temple of learning and discipline, is closed against them. These things ought not so to be. We have wealth enough, and liberality enough, if properly directed, to meet the pressing claims of missions and education. But unfortunately, owing to the want of systematic and faithful effort, we, to an alarming extent, fail to develop our resources, and do but little for the cause of human improvement.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolulutions:

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the objects of the N. C. B. State Convention, and will zealously and liberally unite for their promotion.

Resolved, That we recommend all churches within the Association to contribute statedly and systematically of their substance to the objects of the Convention, and to represent themselves by delegates at its annual sessions.

[C.]

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee being entirely unacquainted with the progress which the Temperance reformation has made in this Association, are unable to present facts either of a pleasing or painful nature. We know not whether this cause is gaining or losing ground. In the absence therefore of any facts, we beg leave to submit a few considerations.

The christian, from his very profession, occupies a position far above the common mass of mankind. What others do without hesitation, he must shun as the traveller would the fiery fanged serpent. His robe is too pure, his mantle is too chaste, to be polluted by contact with anything that tends to degrade human character. His heart being the shrine in which the pure principles of christianity have been deposited, his whole life should be spent in radiating a moral influence, as the beautiful and delicate flower imparts to the surrounding air a delightful fragrance. Every christian is a moral beacon, standing upon the cliffs of time, whose light, as a moveless index, should ever with unerring accuracy, direct the mariner to avoid the latent rocks which line the ocean of life. Are these sentiments correct?

Intemperance is a vice. It is the prolific mother of crime, of wickedness, of almost every thing which is degrading. It is a perturbed stream that has borne and continues to bear on its foul and agitated waters many a promising youth, whose hopes of earth and heaven, in one sad moment, have all been wrecked in the vast whirlpool of debauchery. It has disrobed genius of its peerless energies, and sullied the character of virtue. Many a one who has arisen above the horizon of active life, with all the brilliancy and beauty of the morning star, it has caused to fall obscured as the extinguished meteor.—Wherever intemperance is found, whether in the Senate-chamber or in the hut of ignorance—whether in the church of God or in the haunt of vice, it exhales a pestiferous influence, which, worse than the plague, pestilence, or fever, sends a moral blight upon every object on which it breathes. Is it a fact that intemperance possesses such a dangerous tendency? If this be true, why need we say what is the christian's duty respecting it? Shall we say that he should set his face as flint against it? Shall we say that he should touch not, taste not, handle not? If the christian is the light of the world, and if intemperance is the evil which we have represented it to be, how can any one hesitate for a moment as to the course which he should pursue? "If the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!"

As intemperance is so great an evil, if we drink with the drunken, if we engage in its trafic, if we encourage the dissipated by the use of it ourselves, though in moderation, does not this in us possess at least the appearance of evil? But the Bible says "avoid every appearance of evil." Need we repeat then what every christian should do in this matter? The silent conviction of every heart must be that intemperance is a vice which should never meet with

the least encouragement from the follower of Jesus Christ. We hope therefore that every christian in this Association will stand shoulder to shoulder and breast to breast in one mighty unbroken phalanx, and will bear down upon the dreadful monster with determination, till all within your bounds shall arise emancipated from his iron thrawl, and shall be clad in the beautiful, the lovely garments of Temperance.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. LAND, Chm.

[D.]

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS PUBLICATIONS.

Among the means of a secondary character, calculated to promote "the greatest good of the greatest number," we know of none that may be more truly regarded as such, than the circulation of approved religious publications. In the Tract form and in that of books, the most valuable discussions and expositions of religious truth are constantly set forth. If any lack for information in this day of wide-spread and increasing light, it is their sin and shame. The sources of knowledge are in various senses accessible to all. While we would stir up the pure minds of our church members to procure and read for themselves the many valuable religious publications which are so easily obtained, we would especially urge in this brief report, the importance of systematic and earnest efforts for the circulation of tracts and books among the masses who surround them. Multitudes may thus he reached who could not be in any other way. Many may be useful in this form of effort who could not otherwise exert themselves, while such means would prove eminently auxiliary to all legitimate endeavors. It is due to ourselves, to the cause of truth we have espoused, to make especial efforts to circulate publications of a denominational character.—There are misconceptions afloat, and misrepresentations propagated, which can be more effectually corrected and checked in this way than in any other. Perhaps we shall render important service in closing, by mentioning some valuable works of recent publication, which in addition to those our brethren are acquainted with, it would be desirable to circulate. Some of these are, "The Hand-Book for Church Members"—"Dr. R. Fuller on Baptism and Communion"—"A Pedo-baptist church no home for a Baptist." We would also recommend the more extensive circulation of "Remington's Defence of restricted Communion," a brief but clear exposition of this much misunderstood subject.

We cannot close without urging the more extensive circulation of our periodical publications. "The Commission" and "the Southern Baptist Missionary Journal," are monthly issues of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention—published at rates justifying a large circulation, and in view of their character, every member of our churches should be supplied with one or both of them. The Recorder, Intelligencer, and Messenger, are papers pers published within our State, the latter within our bounds, and is accomplishing great good. While the former are appreciated by many of their friends.

COMMITTEE.

[E.]

REPORT ON CHOWAN FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Your Committee would respectfully report, that since the last session of the Association, the Institute has enjoyed a greater share of prosperity, than at any former period of its history. Public confidence has been secured and strengthened, and the prospects of the Institute are every way encouraging.

The present number of Teachers is five—the number of students, seventy.—In consequence of the large accession of students at the commencement of the last term, it was found necessary to enlarge the Board of Instruction.

The salaries of the Teachers will be paid from the tuition fund, without drawing from other resources. The Institute is furnished with a large and valuable Philosophical apparatus, surpassed by none of any similar Institution in the State.

Weekly lectures are delivered before the whole Institution, besides those before the classes. The Institute has also a Library, a cabinet of minerals and curiosities, and a well furnished reading room, with periodicals from different parts of the country. A Literary Society is organized, composed entirely of the young ladies of the Institute who edit a periodical, which is read at the regular meetings of the Society.

The young ladies have also organized a Missionary Society, and have resolved to educate at least one Chinese girl, at one of our missionary stations in China. The monthly concert of prayer for the spread of the Gospel is regularly held, and we trust, has been attended with the divine blessing. It will doubtless be gratifying to the friends of the Institute to learn, that a missionary spirit is increasing among the students, and that the hope is cherished that some of them may consecrate themselves to the work of spreading the gospel in heathen lands.

The Board of instruction have been greatly embarrassed by the limited accommodations for students, and thus materially hindered in their appropriate work. In consequence of this, a few friends of the Institute, including several members of the Board of Trustees, feeling the necessity of more ample accommodations, organized a joint stock company for the purpose of erecting a large and tasteful edifice for the use of the Seminary. The plan of this company was approved by the Board of Trustees of the Institute, on the 26 Nov., 1849.

The company is so organized as to secure to the Baptist denomination the *entire* control of the Institute for all coming time. The Company has a Board of Directors, a majority of whom are connected with the Baptist church. The President of the company, is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Institute. From this it will be seen that the governing influences in the Board of Directors are with those of our own Denomination.

Your Committee have felt it necessary to be thus explicit on this point, in consequence of repeated attempts to excite prejudice against this new organization. Already the sum of $10,755 is subscribed for the new edifice and Institute. Of this sum $4,500 is for stock; 2,000 from N. H. Thompson Esq., on condi-

tion of erecting the new edifice on a new site, either in Murfreesboro or elsewhere; $3,250 constitutes a contingent fund; and $1,005 are unconditional subscriptions obtained by agents. In addition to this the Board have possession of the premises now occupied by the Institute, valued at $2,000. The price of shares in the Joint-stock company is $25,00 each, each share entitling a stockholder to one vote, either in person or by proxy.

The Institute once in possession of this proposed edifice, will be established on a firm basis, and we may hope, with the blessing of Providence, will be increasingly useful.

We doubt not that every friend of the Institute will rejoice in the formation of this company, and in the vigorous manner in which it has prosecuted its work. Considering the peculiar exigencies of the Institute, we cannot but regard its organization as entirely providential. We take it for granted therefore, that the Association will welcome this new auxiliary in her educational operations, and cordially co-operate in this most important work.

It is the determination of the Board to furnish the Institute with all necessary educational facilities, and make it of such character as shall render it an honor to the denomination, and a blessing to the world.

It has been regarded as of vital importance that the Seminary be of a decidedly religious character. As a means of accomplishing this most important object, the students are organized into bible classes, and meet every Sabbath for the study of the Scriptures. They are also required to attend divine service on the Sabbath, in one of the churches of the town. The daily exercises of the Institute are opened and closed by appropriate religious services, at which all the students are required to be present.

It affords your committee much pleasure to state, that the large and respectable bodies known as the Portsmouth, Union, and Bethel Associations, have cordially united with us in sustaining the Institute, and have already furnished a number of students, and contributed largely to our funds. The bodies referred to, have selected several of their members to be identified with the Board of Trustees, who have been duly elected to office.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. FORY, Chm.

[F.]

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

The Committee on Wake Forest College ask leave to report.

The internal condition of the College, is encouraging. During the last year, there has been an increase of students, some of whom are desirous to improve their minds as preparatory to the work of the ministry. It is gratifying to learn that the deportment of the students commands the respect of the community.—Their dilligence in study and progress in scholarship, is gratifying to their devoted teachers. There is strong moral influence in the College, and a division of the Sons of Temperance: It is believed that no persons sell spirituous liquors as a beverage, for some miles round the Institution.

During the last year, God mercifully poured out his spirit on the College and vicinity, and a large number of those students who had not previously become pious, were hopefully converted, and rejoiced in the hope of the pardoning love of God. Some fifteen of them were baptized and united to Wake Forest Church or other sister churches. Some others have not yet made a profession of religion, and some it is believed, have found a connexion with churches where their parents and friends reside. A very encouraging religious influence continues. During the present session, the influences of the Holy Spirit evidently rest on the Institution. Prayer meetings—the thermometer of religious influence, are fully attended by the students, and very interesting, and one has recently been baptized.

The Board of Instruction are dilligently engaged in their appropriate duties and we believe their services are duly appreciated and satisfactory to the students.

Such arrangements have been made and subscriptions secured, as at the last commencement met the existing demands against the College. This was in a great measure, the result of the efforts of the board of Trustees, and friends in the immediate vicinity of the College, who in addition to all their former benefactions, have given an increased subscription, twelve of whom have subscribed $6,500, in this last effort. But a subscription which at the time met the amount of indebtedness was not a payment, and for all that, has since remained unpaid, interest has been accruing, this together with the deaths, insolvency, and removal of others, will leave a deficit, which others, it is hoped, who have not borne the burden of labor and sacrifices heretofore, will feel it to be their duty and privilege by liberal contributions to meet. Vigorous efforts are in progress to collect and pay the amount of indebtedness.

But when this is done, we have only the College and appurtenances. Wake Forest College has no State endowment, although performing a full share of instruction and labor to elevate the standard of science in the State.

You will see, therefore, that to enable the Board of Trustees to carry out the wishes of the patrons of the College, and to sustain the Board of instruction in fulfilling the duties devolving on them, they are wholly dependent on patronage. Fail not then to sustain them in this, when it is the only source of pecuniary reliance.

We trust that you will not be weary in well doing, for in due time you will reap if you faint not. And now that there is hope of a speedy liquidation of College debts, may we not hope that you will encourage efforts to endow professorships by your liberality, and fill the philosophical halls of the College with apparatus second to none in the State.

This Association has we believe some claim to paternity to this Institution, and though engaged in another important enterprise, let us still labour to promote its interests, and pray for its prosperity.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ISAAC MERRIAM, Chm.

[G.]

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report:

Your Committee would express the conviction, felt, they are happy to believe, very generally, that Sabbath Schools are among the most efficient instrumentalities for doing good. Ever since their first organization, whenever and wherever they have been conducted in the proper manner, and with a singleness of eye to God's glory, they have in a most eminent degree, promoted the intelligence, piety and usefulness of those who have enjoyed their advantages. Some years since, the question arose among a large number of students at Princeton Theological Seminary, as to how and when they received their first religious impressions, and the result was, the discovery that nearly ALL had been first religiously impressed in Sabbath Schools. And your Committee would express the opinion that were similar enquiries made in other institutions, and were, indeed, the enquiry to be sent around among the most intelligent, pious and efficient ministers of different denominations, and were the same enquiry to be made of the missionaries of the cross who have labored successfully in heathen lands, and of the most efficient private christians, both male and female, throughout the world, it would be found that nearly all were nurtured in Sabbath Schools. And why is this? Why do such results follow Sabbath School instruction? Simply because the Sabbath School is a practical exemplification of the inspired admonition, "Train up a child in the way he should go;" and the result is but the fulfilment of the divine pledge, "when he is old he will not depart from it." Youth is emphatically the impressible period of human life. The mind then receives impressions either for good or evil; impressions too, that exert a more or less powerful influence on the future character.

It has been well said, that many men have been spoiled in the nursery; i. e., their earliest impressions respecting truth and moral obligation were defective, and have exercised a controlling influence over their future opinions, which no subsequent training could correct.—How important, therefore, that the minds of children should receive the proper direction at the earliest possible period. The young are the hope of the church, of our country, and of the world. To these are soon to be committed, these various important interests. And who does not see and feel too, that a high sense of moral obligation, just conceptions of divine truth, and elevated rules of christian duty, will be among the inferior demands of coming years. And Sabbath Schools, brethren, next to an able ministry, your committee believe to be the very instrumentality which will prepare those who are to follow us for the high and responsible position they will occupy. In Sabbath Schools, properly conducted, children, many of whom have no oth-

er religious training, are taught to read and understand God's word; they are taught to reverence the Bible as the only guide in morals and religion; they are prepared to understand, value and sustain a preached gospel; they are taught those high and holy duties, which none but God has taught, and which He teaches only in the Bible. Therefore, brethren, cherish, sustain, and multiply Sabbath schools; hail them as means of religious instruction to your children. Engage in them as teachers, as officers, and as friends, on a basis of the most efficient co-operation. In doing this, you will honor God, promote His cause, and be instrumental in winning souls to Christ.

Your Committee rejoice to perceive that many of our churches already evince a commendable zeal in this matter. And there is no reason why *all* our churches may not each have a Sabbath school; why all the children within our bounds, may not enjoy the advantage of regular Sabbath School instruction. Brethren, we affectionately ask you, and we hope you will ask your consciences, is there any *reason*, such as you could give at the judgment seat of Christ, why you may not each establish a Sabbath school or Sabbath schools in your respective churches? We commend to you, as examples worthy of imitation, the church at E. City, which has 2 schools in successful operation; the Church at Rockahoc which has a school of over 100 scholars, and other churches who have established schools now in successful progress. Brethren, you who have no Sabbath Schools, "go and do likewise."

In conclusion, your Committee would urge the pastors and ministers, and brethren and sisters who desire to be a blessing to the young, to the world, to the church, and to themselves, to engage in this good work. Lose no time, but forthwith do what you can in your respective neighborhoods, and cease not to pray and labor, and labor and pray to this end, until not a church nor neighborhood within your influence shall be without a Sabbath School.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

AARON JONES, Chm.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The Chowan Baptist Association to the several sister bodies corresponding with her, sendeth christian salutation.

Dear Brethren:

Another year having accomplished its revolution, it becomes our duty (a pleasant one) to send you once more our annual memento of remembrance, as fellow laborers together with you in our master's work. We received the minutes and accompanying letters of the Union and Portsmouth Associations; and our hearts were made glad by the presence of two of our brethren representatives of the latter. But no tokens of remembrance or regard from our sisters the Concord or Tar River

have come to hand. We always appreciate the visits of our brethren, particularly when they appear as the representatives of sister Associations. Personal intercourse is not only grateful to the feelings, but profitable as an incentive to increased effort for greater growth in grace.—Seeing the superior attainments of others, we bear the evidences in our own bosoms of a want of industry and more entire consecration in our own cases—their devotedness and nearness of living to God, says to us in language not to be mistaken, "go and do thou likewise." But the intercourse of religious bodies, having for its object the more successful propagation of the gospel, and building up of Christ's kingdom on earth, is an object paramount to mere individual enjoyment or advancement in religion. Hence our pleasure in welcoming your delegates, and let us then, dear brethren, be careful and solicitous for the future to secure representatives at our several anniversaries, if the great object of religious association can be aided thereby.

Our churches comprising this body seem not to have made the usual progress in the good work since our last adjournment. The corresponding letters of many complain of coldness and leanness—their "Harps seem to be hanged on the willows," but feeling our wants, we mean to go to the only source for supply, knowing "that in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Our next anniversary will be held with the church at Bethlehem, Hertford county, where we hope to meet once more your representatives.—Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

☞ [It is due to the printer to say, that some of the reports were so badly written, that it was sometimes scarcely possible to make a respectable GUESS, as to what was intended.]

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by letter.	Excommunicat'd	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Funds.	Sunday Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Libraries.
Ahoskie,	W W Mitchel, J S Godwin,* J Holoman,	31	2	1	4	7	5	305	102	407	3 00				
Antioch,	No letter nor delegate.									82					
Ballard's Bridge,	D V Etheridge, R D Simpson, W J Holly,	6	1		4	3	11	396	92	488	5 00				
Bethlehem,	Jas Delk,* T Hoggard,* W P Britton, Jr.,		5		5		1	114	34	148	2 00				
Bethel,	Saml Sutton, Elisha Felton, W M Fleetwood,	69	6	2	1	6	4	260	27	287	3 00	1	5	50	
Buckhorn,	J B Jenkins, M J Davis, J R Darden,	3			10		1	72	34	106	2 00				
Capehearts,	W Leary, J N Hoggard,* Jas Cobb,* no letter														
Cashie,	No letter nor delegate.									391					
Coleraine,	John Nowell, Jos Smith, J L Britton,*		6		5	4	5	325	164	488	3 00				
Conaritsa,	No letter nor delegate.									258					
Conneconara,	Jos G Barkley,* Jacob Pope,* Henry Pittman,*	21	3		2	4	2	55	58	113	2 00	1	6	43	
Cool Spring,	Jas Carter,* Asa Hill,* J M Matthews,*	24			4	3	4	163	24	187			4	40	
Edenton,	A. Jones, S T Bond, C G Manning,	49	3		7	5	7	62	208	270	2 00	1	10	37	150
Elizabeth City,	C R Hendrickson, M Sanderlin, W D Pritchard,	24	8		2	4	3	249	28	277	2 50	4	45	225	580
Free Chapel,	Has not been represented since 1839.									18					
Great Fork,	John S Pearce, O P Savage,* A R Collins,*	33	2				5	121	22	143	1 00	1	12	39	
Holly Grove,	J P Freeman,* W D Wynns, W J Freeman,*	2	2		1	1	2	50	22	72	1 00				
Meherrin,	G M Thompson, Horace Parker,* S J Wheeler,	15	5	1	8	4	3	188	170	358	2 00				
Middle Swamp,	Henry Speight, W Matthews, W Riddick,	25			3	6	8	105	104	209	1 50				

Mt. Tabor,	W Dunning,* A W Darden, W Darden,	8	3		4		4	129	20	149	2	50				
Mt. Carmel,	Green Stancill,* E Stephenson,* Isaac Pede,*	29		10		4	3			334	2	50				
Mt. Zion,	J H Combs,* Wm Beasley,* Jas Cosgrove,*				1		1	32	9	41	1	00				
Murfreesboro,	M R Fory, J Parker, L T Spires,						1			27	3	00	1	10	94	350
Piny Grove,	J H Parker, W H Howell, H W Parker,	35	2		3	1	5	105	66	171	2	50				
Pleasant Grove,	G C Moore, A J Perry,* Saml Magitt,*				3	1		69	13	82	2	00				
Potecasi,	M Cooke,* M Baum, W J Cooke,*	18		1	2	3	2	181	39	220	2	00				
Powell's Point,	No representation since 1842.									19						
Providence,	Isaac Baxter, W T Cotter, I N Baxter,	12			1	1	2			82	1	50				
Quankie,	No representation since 1840.									55						
Ramoth Gilliad,	M W Jones, J D Stokely, J Carver,	14		1	2	4	4	117	95	212	2	00				
Republican,	No letter nor delegate,									126						
Roanoke Island,	A Twine, M W Etheridge, J Westeoff,	18				1	1	112	33	145	1	00				
Robert's Chapel,	W Boone, I Baum, Jas Atkinson,	21	3			1	1	58	16	74	1	50				
Rocky Hock,	J B Webb, R R Felton, T Waff,		7	1	2	1	4	185	6	191	1	50	1	15	116	155
Ross' M. H.,	No letter nor delegate,									375						
Salem,	A Hollowell, G W Pendleton, P Jordan,	3				1	1	50	6	56	1	00				
Sandy Cross,	Q H Trotman, W Stallings, W Parker,	4	1	1	6	1	12	264	25	289	3	00				
Sandy Run,	W H Lee,* J R Powell,* J H Taylor,*	1		1	8	1	3	88	107	195	2	00				
Sawyer's Creek,	J B Morgan, W P Forbs, W S Grandy,	2	2		8	4	6	179	33	212	3	00				
Shady Grove,	Moses Caps, H Lee,* D Lee,	24	2	1	1		4	83	1	84	1	00				
Shiloh,	A Berry, J Walston, B Baceo,	10		1	6	4	5	296	67	363	3	00				
Sound Side,	Jos Halsey,* J Rhodes,*							24	2	26	1	00				
Spence's M. H.	J S. Jones, C Spence,* J Etheridge,					2	3	35	35	70	1	00				
Vasser's M. H.	W Carstarphen,* J Barham,*	17						50	17	69		75				
Yoppim,	J L Ferrell,* B H Webb, Wm Benbury,	17	1		3		2	97	5	102						
		545	64	21	106	76	125	4648	1476	7981	69	75	10	107	644	1235

* Absent. Ordained Ministers in SMALL CAPS. Licentiates in *Italics*.

A DECLARATION OF RELIGIOUS PRINCIPLES,

As held by the Churches composing the Chowan Association of North Carolina, May 19, 1849—*and as amended at their late session.*

I. *Of the Scriptures.*—We believe the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction ; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter ; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us ; and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true centre of Christian Union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and opinions should be tried. 2 Tim. iii. 16 ; 2 Peter i. 21.

II. *Of the true God.* That there is one, and only one, true and living God, whose name is JEHOVAH, the Maker and Supreme Ruler of heaven and earth ; inexpressibly glorious in holiness ; worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love ; revealed under the personal and relative distinctions of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit ; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct, but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption. Gen. i. 1—17 ; Isaiah xliv. 6, 8 ; Heb. ii. 10.

III. *Of the Fall of Man.*—That Man was created in a state of holiness, under the law of his Maker, but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state ; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint but choice ; being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, of Satan and their own sinful passions, and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defence or excuse. Gen. i. 27 ; vi. 5 ; Rom. v. 12 ; viii. 6, 7, 8 ; Eph. ii. 1.

IV. *Of the Way of Salvation.*—That the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace, through the mediatorial offices of the Son of God, who took upon him our nature, yet without sin ; honored the law by his personal obedience, and made atonement for our sins by his death; having risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven ; and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, is every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an all-sufficient Saviour. Rom. v. 8 ; iv. 25 ; Eph ii. 8, 9 ; 2 Cor. v. 21 ; Heb. vii. 25.

V. *Of Justification.*—That the great Gospel blessing which Christ of his fulness bestows on such as believe in Him, is justification ; that justification consists in the pardon of sin and the promise of eternal life, on principles of righteousness ; that it is bestowed not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through his own redemption and righteousness ; that it

brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity.—Eph. ii. 8, 9 ; Gal. ii. 16 ; Rom. v. 1.

VI. *Of the Freeness of Salvation.*—That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel ; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by a cordial and obedient faith ; and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, except his own voluntary refusal to submit to the Lord Jesus Christ, which refusal will subject him to an aggravated condemnation. John iii. 16; Isa. lv. 1 ; Ezek. xxxiii. 11 ; Rev. xxii. 17 ; John v. 40.

VII. *Of Grace in Regeneration.*—That in order to be saved, we must be regenerated or born again ; that regeneration consists in giving a holy disposition to the mind, and is effected by the power of the Holy Spirit, through the instrumentality of the word of God ; so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the Gospel ; and that its proper evidence is found in the holy fruit which we bring forth to the glory of God. John iii. 3—7, 8 ; 2 Thes. ii. 13 ; Eph. vi. 17.

VIII. *Of God's Purpose of Grace.*—That election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which he regenerates, sanctifies, and saves sinners ; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end ; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely wise, holy and unchangeable ; that it utterly excludes boasting, and promotes humility, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy ; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree ; that it is ascertained by its effects in all who believe the Gospel ; is the foundation of Christian assurance ; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves, demands and deserves our utmost diligence. Deut. vii. 6 ; Eph. i. 3, 4 ; 1 Peter i. 2 ; Rom. v. 8; Eph. ii. 8.

IX. *Of the Perseverance of Saints.*—That such only are real believers as endure unto the end ; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors ; that a special Providence watches over their welfare ; and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation. Luke x. 42 ; 1 Pet. i. 3, 4, 5 ; Heb. vi. 17, 18, 19, 20.

X. *Harmony of the Law and Gospel.*—That the Law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of his moral government; that it is holy, just and good ; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfil its precepts, arises entirely from their love of sin; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy law, is the great end of the Gospel. Rom. iii. 19, 20, 21; v. 21; John iii. 19, 20; Tit. iii. 8.

XI. *Of the Church of Christ.*—That a church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel ; observing the ordinances of Christ ; governed by his laws ; and exercising the gifts, rights and privileges

invested in them by his word; that its only proper officers are bishops or pastors, and deacons, whose qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the Epistles to Timothy and Titus. Mat. xxviii. 18, 19, 20; 2 Tim. ii. 2; Tim. i. 1—8; Tit. i. 7.

XII. *Of Church Independence.*—That every church is independent in matters of discipline; and that Associations, Councils and Conferences of several ministers, or churches, are not to impose on the churches, the keeping, holding, or maintaining any principle or practice, contrary to the church's judgment. Acts xx. 28; xv. 22.

XIII. *Of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.*—That Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, and Son, and Holy Spirit; to show forth in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in a crucified, buried and risen Savior; and is the answer of a good conscience towards God; that it is prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation, and to the Lord's Supper, in which the members of the Church, by the use of bread and wine, are to commemorate the dying love of Christ, and should be preceded by self-examination.—Acts ii. 28; Mark xvi. 16; Rom. vi. 4; 1 John v. 3; John xiv. 15, 16, 17; Luke xxii. 19, 20; 1 John xi. 27, 28.

XIV. *Of the Christian Sabbath.*—That the first day of the week is the Lord's-day, or Christian Sabbath, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor and recreations; by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public; and by preparation for that rest which remaineth for the people of God.—Col. ii. 16; Acts xv. 21; xx. 7; John xx. 19.

XV. *Of Civil Government.*—That civil government is of divine appointment, for the interests and good order of human society; and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed, except in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience, and the Prince of the kings of the earth. 1 Pet. ii. 13, 14; Mat. xxii. 21.

XVI. *Of the Righteous and the Wicked.*—That there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked, and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in and after death. Mat. iii. 18; Rom. viii. 1; iv. 21, 22; John iii. 18; Mat. xxv. 46.

XVII. *Of the World to Come.*—That the end of this world is approaching; and at the last day, Christ will descend from heaven, and raise the dead from the grave to final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to endless punishment, and the righteous to endless joy; and that this judgement will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness. Mat. xxiv. 30; 2 Cor. v. 10; Mat. xxiv. 26; xxv. 46.

CIRCULAR

OF THE CHOWAN FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Murfreesboro, N. C.

The Sessions of the Institute will commence on the second Wednesday in October, 1850, and on the 10 of March 1851. The exercises of the Institution will be conducted by the Rev. M. R. FORY, aided by a full and competent Board of Instruction. The Institution has been recently furnished with a Chemical, Astronomical and Philosophical Apparatus, far superior to that of any similar Institution in the State, or, the adjoining States. In addition to this, the Seminary has a Library, a Reading Room, with Periodicals from different sections of the country, and a Cabinet of Minerals.

The Young Ladies have organized a Literary Society, and established a semi-monthly Periodical, which is read at the regular meetings of the Society.

In order to form habits of economy, and prevent rivalry in dress, the Board has prescribed a Uniform for Sabbaths and Holidays. For Winter, deep blue Merino, or other suitable fabric—for Summer, pink Calico or Ginghams, and white Cambric or Muslin. The Bonnet to be Straw, dressed with blue for Winter and pink for Summer.

During school time, any dress may be worn not more expensive than the Uniform. Expensive Jewelry is not allowed to be worn by the Students. Purchases for the Young Ladies will be made only under instructions from their Parents and Guardians.

RATES OF TUITION,

Per Session of five Months.

Primary English Branches, including Geography, Grammar, Arithmetic and Compositions,	$ 10 00
The above, including Natural and Moral Philosophy, Astronomy, Botany, History, Logic and Algebra,	15 00
French and Latin Languages, each $5,	10 00
Drawing, Painting and Needlework, each $4,	12 00
Music on Piano and Guitar, each $15,	30 00
For use of Instruments, each $2 50,	5 00
Lectures,	1 50
Incidentals for School Room Expenses,	1 00
Board, including Washing, Fuel and Lights, per month—one half to be paid in advance,	8 00

Board can be obtained in private families at the same rate. It is *very important* that the Student enter at the *commencement* of the Session, as a tardiness of a few days often embarrasses the pupil throughout a whole term. Students will be received at any time.

For further information, apply to the Principal, or to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

G. C. MOORE, *Chm. Board Trustees.*

J. PARKER, *Secretary.*

MINUTES

OF THE

Forty-fifth Annual Session

OF THE

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HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

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4 Wm. P. Britton, Jr., Pitch Landing.
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6 M. Corbell, Powell's Point.
7 James Delk, Pitch Landing.
8 D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge,
9 Evan Forbes, Camden C. H.
10 M. R. Fory, Murfreesboro.
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13 C. R. Hendrickson, Elizabeth City.
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25 Jas. Ross, Windsor.
26 Leml. Sanderlin, Shingle Landing
27 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
28 J. D. Stokely, South Mills.
29 Q. H. Trotman, Mintonsville.
30 A. Twine, Elizabeth City.
31 Henry White, Merry Hill.
32 H. J. White, St. Johns.
33 John B. Webb, Edenton.

List of Licentiates.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
2 Wells Briggs, Mintonsville.
3 Jeremiah Bunch, Jr., Windsor.
4 J. N. Goodwin, Hertford.
5 Everitt Hancock, Hotel.
6 R. Lassiter, Edenton.
7 John P. Lee, Somerton.
8 E. Pierce, Windsor.
9 Thos. Pittman, Berlin, Va.
10 Jesse Powell, Coneconara.
11 Abram Pruden, Gatesville.
12 J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro.

Proceedings, &c.

BETHLEHEM, Hertford Co., N. C., *Thursday*, *May* 15, 1851.

The Introductory discourse was delivered by Elder Aaron Jones, from Col. 1: 14—"In whom we have redemption, through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins."

After a short intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder Waff.

Brethren W. D. Pritchard and S. T. Bond were appointed Assistant Clerks.

Letters from the churches were called for, and read: from them is prepared the statistical table.

The list of names being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren present were invited to seats, and to participate in our deliberations: the invitation was accepted by Rev. Dr. Wm. Hooper, Elders T. W. Tobey, J. S. Purify, Wm. M. Jones, of Raleigh Association; Elder C. W. Bessent of Yadkin Association; Elder Geo. W. Wallace of Union Association; Elders Wm. M. Young, J. G. Council, of the Portsmouth Association; and Elder A. J. Spivey of Big Hatchie Association, Tennessee.

Minutes of Union Association, S. Bap. Convention, and of N. C. Freewill Conference were laid on the table.

The church at Spence's M. H. requested that her name appear on the Minutes as Ebenezer—request granted. Elders Trotman, Delk, Berry and Fory were appointed a Committee of Arrangements.

New churches at Macedonia in Chowan co., and Watery Swamp in Gates co., presented letters, asking admission into this body. Elders A. Jones, Britton and Harrell were appointed a Committee, to which the petitions were referred.

Brother W. W. Mitchell was appointed a Committee to supply the stage with preaching until Lord's day.

On motion, adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow; prayer by Eld. Delk.

FRIDAY, May 16, 1851.

Association met according to adjournment. Prayer by Eld. Harrell.

Roll was called, and proceedings of yesterday were read.

Committee of Arrangements reported; Report received, and Committee discharged.

Committee on the application of churches at Macedonia and Watery Swamp for admission, reported in favor of their reception; Report received and Committee discharged.

Delegates from those churches came forward and received the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

Committee on Home Missions reported; Report received and Committee discharged. (See Report under A in Appendix.)

After some interesting remarks on the Report, the sum of $186 50 was pledged to sustain Home Missions.

Elders Trotman, Jones, Hendrickson, brethren C. W. Skinner, M. L. Bond and J. B. Morgan were appointed Committee on Home Missions the ensuing year. On motion, the Moderator was chosen Chairman of the Committee: the Committee instructed to meet four times a year, three of their number to constitute a quorum; their proceedings to be published in the Biblical Recorder.

Brethren Powell and Solomon appeared in our midst as delegates from Tar River Association, and were recognized as such. Copies of the Minutes of their last Association were laid on the table and distributed.

Brethren Askew, J. Parker and Spiers were appointed Committee on Finance.

Association took a recess of thirty minutes.

On re-assembling, the Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Present Contributions,		$90 80
Amount in the Treasury,		48 01
		$138 81
CONTRA.		
Printing Minutes of 1850,	$72 50	
Transcribing same,	25 00	97 50
		$41 31
Contribution on Saturday,		64 70
		$106 01

Resolved, That the next session of this body be held with the church at Piney Grove, to commence on Thursday before 3d Lord's day in May, 1852; Elder Britton to preach the Introductory, and Elder Harrell in case of failure.

In the absence of brethren appointed to preach the Conventional

sermon on the morrow, Elder Tobey was requested to attend to that duty, and it be the second sermon on Lord's day.

Elder Fory was appointed to preach the Conventional sermon before next Association, and Elder Hendrickson was appointed the alternate.

The Moderator was instructed to appoint some person to write a biographical notice of the late Elder Geo. M. Thompson, to be appended to our Minutes—and also to prepare a general letter of correspondence.

The following Committees were then announced:

On the expediency of ordaining candidates for Ordination, brethren W. W. Mitchell, A. J. Perry, Jno. S. Tayloe, A. R. Collins and E. N. Riddick.

On W. Forest College, Elders Spivey, Purify, and brother Skinner.

On Tracts and Publications, Elder Tobey, brethren Pritchard and Ferrill.

On Ordination, Elders A. Jones, Britton and Harrell.

On the state of Religion, Elders Waff, Harrell and Barkly.

On C. F. Collegiate Institute, Elder Fory, brethren Wheeler and J. Parker.

Brethren Wheeler, J. Parker and Spiers were appointed messengers to the Portsmouth Association, in addition to those appointed last year.

Elders Barkly, A. Jones and Speight, and brother Wheeler to the Union Association.

Elders Trotman, Britton, Fory, and brother Jesse Powell to Tar River Association.

Resolved, That the Chowan Association establish a Male Academy within her bounds, and that the proposed institution be auxiliary to Wake Forest College. Brethren S. T. Bond, Pritchard, Sawyer, J. W. Powell and J. P. Freeman were appointed a Committee to nominate a Board of Trustees for the Male Academy.

WHEREAS, We understand that it is in contemplation to form a new association of Churches lying between Roanoke and Neuse rivers. Therefore,

Resolved, That we appprove the contemplated movement, and that such churches, as are now members of this body, and desirous of uniting with the Association to be formed, be granted letters of dismission on application.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to nominate a Board of 16 Trustees, for the proposed Male Academy, to mature a plan of operations, and in connection with the Board of Trustees, to receive proposals for locating the Seminary.

Elders Purify, Bessent and Council preached at the stage to-day.

On motion, the Association adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow; prayer by Elder Tobey.

SATURDAY, May 17th, 1851.

Association met this morning according to adjournment; prayer by Rev. Dr. Hooper. Roll was called.

Elders Hooper, Fory, and Young were appointed to preach in the house on Lord's day, and Elders Trotman, Tobey and Wallace at the stage.

Committee on Tracts and Publications reported; Report received and Committee discharged. (See letter A in Appendix.)

RESOLUTIONS RESPECTING THE BIBLICAL RECORDER ADOPTED BY THE CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in his gracious, but afflictive Providence, has been pleased to remove from our earthly associations, our faithful friend and brother, Thomas Meredith, for many years the able and consistent Editor and Proprietor of the Biblical Recorder. And

WHEREAS, His bereaved and afflicted widow, sister Meredith, has promptly caused the Editorial chair to be filled by brother T. W. Tobey. Therefore,

Resolved, That this Association deeply sympathize with our beloved sister in her afflictions. Also,

Resolved, That we fully concur in the arrangement which she has made in securing the services of Elder Tobey as Editor, and that we will use our endeavors to aid our sister by encouraging a more general circulation of the Recorder; also recommending that each Pastor become an Agent for the paper. Also,

Resolved, That we hope that the N. C. Baptist State Convention, in selecting its future Editor, will retain the present incumbent, Elder T. W. Tobey. Also,

Resolved, That this Association heartily approves the course pursued by brethren McDaniel and Hendrickson in discontinuing the Intelligencer and the Messenger, believing that the union and harmony of our churches are best promoted by the existence of only one Baptist paper in the State.

Committee on the expediency of ordaining the candidate sent up for ordination reported adversely; Report received and Committee discharged.

The deficiency resulting from certain churches failing to send up contributions to the minute fund at last session was made up by a contribution of members present.

Committee on Baptist State Convention reported; Report received and Committee discharged. See letter C in Appendix.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported; Report received and Committee discharged. (See letter D in Appendix.) After a heart-thrilling discussion it was *unanimously* determined that we assume the support of a Missionary in the Foreign field. Elders Fory, Trotman and Hendrickson were appointed a Committee to correspond with the So. Baptist Missionary Board and the churches, in reference to this matter.

Elder Britton was appointed to prepare a sketch of the late Elder Thompson.

Elder Jones was requested to furnish a copy, for publication in Bib.

Recorder, of the discourse delivered by him as introductory to the present session.

Committee on Temperance reported; Report received and Committee discharged. (See E in Appendix.)

Committee on C. Female Collegiate Institute reported; Report received and Committee discharged. (See F in Appendix.)

Committee on the state of Religion reported; Report received and Committee discharged. (See G in Appendix.)

Committee on W. F. College reported; Report received and Committee discharged. [See H in Appendix.]

Standing Committees to report next session were announced as follows:

On Foreign Missions, Elder Fory, brethren Wheeler and Rochelle.

On the N. C. Baptist State Convention, Elder A. Jones, brethren Manning and S. T. Bond.

On Sunday Schools, Elder Hendrickson, and brother J. B. Morgan and W. P. Forbes.

On Temperance, Elders Britton, Jones, and brother W. Darden.

Agreed that the Circular of the Female Institute be appended to the Minutes.

Committee to nominate trustees for the Male Academy reported the following: C. E. Ballard, C. W. Skinner, C. R. Hendrickson, Q. H. Trotman, A. Jones, M. R. Fory, Wm. Folk, C. W. Mixon, J. P. Rascoe, W. H. Manning, O. F. Baxter, S. Worrell, P. Jordan, W. E. Bond, W. S. Grandy, and Richard Felton.

Resolved, That the Clerk have 2500 copies of these Minutes printed.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to our brethren and friends in this vicinity, for the kind and liberal manner in which they have entertained this body.

Elders Hendrickson, Wallace and Spivey occupied the stage to-day.

On motion, the Association adjourned; prayer by Elder Young.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*.

LORD'S DAY, May 18, 1851.

The day was a beautiful one. A large number of persons was in attendance. In the meeting house, sermons were delivered by Rev. Dr. Hooper, and Elder Wm. Young of Va. At the stand, Elders Wm. Jones, T. W. Tobey, and Q. H. Trotman preached. A collection for Missionary purposes was taken up, amounting to $62 50.—Thus ended one of the most harmonious sessions of the Chowan Baptist Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	Days of Meeting.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by letter.	Excommunicated	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Funds.	Sunday Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.
Ahoskie,	W W Slaughter, W W Mitchell, A J Askew,.....	4	17	4	..	2	6	5	314	101	415	3.00	..	...	...	....
Antioch,	T H Christa,* P Pritchard,*.....	3	7	..	1	2	1	1	52	22	74	1.50	..	...	...	....
Ballard's Br'ge,	D V Etheridge, J Forehand, C Bunch,.....	2	71	7	1	20	5	2	420	118	539	3.00	1	6	40	60
Bethel,	C W Skinner, Thomas Sutton, R Felton,*.....	3	10	6	1	2	4	5	258	32	290	3.00	..	...	...	....
Bethlehem,	J Delk, T Hoggard, W P Britton, Jr.,.....	2	2	..	..	3	...	1	109	32	141	2.00	..	...	...	....
Buckhorn,	J W Barnes,* T D Vann, J R Darden,.....	2	3	...	..	2	1	...	71	37	108	2.00	..	...	...	....
Capeheart's,	H White, W H Pierce, D Gregory,.....	1&2	30	7	1	9	3	4	212	105	317	2.00	..	...	...	....
Cashie,	D Harrell, J S Tayloe, L Bond,.....	1	2	1	..	2	4	8	....	....	370	4.00	..	...	...	....
Colerain,	*John Nowell*, E Wilson, Jos Smith,.....	3	33	4	12	11	7	9	336	166	502	3.00	..	...	...	....
Conaritsa,	H J White, W T Sharroch, J W Jenkins,.....	3	12	5	..	12	6	5	189	56	245	2.50	..	...	...	....
Coneconara,	J G Barkly, E P Powell, S Cochran,.....	1	8	1	..	1	...	1	66	59	125	4.00	1	3	20	....
Cool Spring,	*T Pittman*, C Y Savage, John M Matthews,.....	1	3	1	..	3	...	3	161	23	184	2.00	..	...	...	....
Ebenezer,	J N Overton, M J Overton, L D Broughton,.....	4	16	1	..	...	...	2	51	36	87	1.50	..	...	...	....
Edenton,	Aaron Jones, S T Bond, C G Manning,.....	all	1	3	1	1	4	4	63	205	268	2.00	1	10	43	....
Elizabeth City,	C R Hendrickson, W D Pritchard, Robert Simpson,	all	45	5	..	5	4	3	297	28	313	2.50	4	47	235	600
Free Chapel,	W Smith,* R Davenport,*.....		32	..	1	...	...	...	35	4	39	1.00	..	...	...	....
Great Fork,	A Barnes, J S Rogers, A R Collins,.....	3	18	..	..	1	...	2	136	25	161	1.00	1	12	39	....
Holly Grove,	J P Freeman, J S Mitchell, W J Freeman,.....	1	5	4	..	5	3	1	....	....	72	1.00	..	...	...	....
Macedonia,	W Leary, P F White, T J Leary,.....	3	22	..	..	...	...	...	39	4	43	1.00	1	7	20	....
Meherrin,	*J J Rochelle*, S Parker, S J Wheeler,.....	1	11	10	1	...	3	1	201	179	380	2.55	1	8	25	....
Middle Swamp	H Speight, W E Matthews, W Riddick,.....	2	19	..	..	3	3	1	107	114	221	1.50	1	8	35	....
Mt. Tabor,	R B Cobb, W Dunning, Jno Gatling,.....	4	43	1	..	13	3	5	144	34	178	2.50	..	...	...	....
Mt. Carmel,	Green Stancil, J Edwards, I Peele,*.....	4	9	1	1	1	1	...	....	343	....	2.50	..	...	...	....

Mt. Zion,	No letter—statistics by Elder Speight,.....	....	2	..	..	...	...	1	33	9	42	1.00	..	...	...	....
Murfreesboro,	M R Fory, J Parker, L T Spires,.....	all	14	..	..	...	...	1	39	1	40	4.00	1	9	93	....
Piney Grove,	E Howell, J H Parker, H W Parker,.....	4	4	1	..	2	4	2	107	63	170	2.50	..	...	...	....
Pleasant Grove	G C Moore, A J Perry, Saml Maget,.....	1	...	1	..	...	1	...	68	13	81	2.00	1	9	25	173
Potecasi,	N Blanchard, T B Gatling, M C Cook,.....	2	39	13	1	11	...	...	218	42	260	2.00	..	...	...	....
Powell's Point,		4	...	..	..	...	...	...	....	....	19	.....	..	...	...	....
Providence,	I Baxter,* J Dey,* G L Brockett,.....	1	21	..	..	2	2	...	80	....	80	1.50	..	...	...	....
Quankie,		2	...	..	..	...	...	...	22	38	60	.....	..	...	...	....
Ramoth Gilead	M W Jones,* J D Stokely, J Temple,.....	2	...	2	..	7	6	3	108	89	197	2.00	..	...	...	....
Republican,	S D Bunch, J H Bunch, D Peele,.....	2	15	4	..	...	5	1	114	23	137	3.00	..	...	...	....
Roanoke Isl'd,			...	..	..	...	...	...	73	26	99	.....	..	...	...	....
Robert's Ch'p'l,	J Atkinson, J B Barnes, W Boon,.....	3	54	3	..	...	9	1	92	29	121	2.00	..	4	27	100
Rocky Hock,	T Waff, J B Webb, Fred'k Bunch,.....	1&4	7	3	..	34	6	2	153	6	159	1.00	..	...	...	....
Ross' M. H.,	M L Mizells, J Adam, W J Mitchell,.....	4	1	..	1	6	15	4	273	50	323	2.25	..	...	...	....
Salem,	A Hollowell,* G W Pendleton,* P Jordan,*.....	3	...	..	..	...	2	1	47	5	52	1.00	..	...	...	....
Sandy Cross,	Q H Trotman, E Bunch, E N Riddick,.....	1	5	1	1	1	9	9	253	26	279	3.00	..	...	...	....
Sandy Run,	A M Craig* W H Lee, J R Powell,.....	4	4	..	1	3	...	1	85	111	196	2.00	..	...	...	....
Sawyer's Cr'k,	F B Grandy, J Q Morgan, W S Grandy,*.....	2	42	1	1	5	1	3	217	37	254	3.00	1	15	65	100
Shady Grove,	M Capps,* W Lovell,* S G Mitchell,.....	2	...	2	..	1	...	1	82	1	83	1.00	..	...	...	....
Shiloh,	A Berry, J Walston,* S W Sawyer,.....	1&3	...	..	..	...	11	5	280	67	347	3.00	1	15	75	100
Sound Side,		3	...	..	..	...	...	...	24	2	26	.....	..	...	...	....
Vasser's M. H.	W Carstaphen, J Barham,.....	2	7	..	..	...	...	1	49	27	76	1.00	..	...	...	....
Water Swamp,	H Hoffler, J W Hoffler, D. Brown,*.....	4	22	3	..	...	...	...	18	....	18	1.00	..	...	...	....
Yoppim,	W Benbury, B H Webb, Jno L Ferrill,.....	4	...	2	..	2	1	4	93	5	98	1.50	1	8	40	125
47 Churches.	Ordained Ministers in SMALL CAPS—Licentiates in *Italics*—* absent.		644	94	24	170	128	100	5808	2162	7970	90.80	16	153	782	1258

Appendix.

[A.]

Report on Domestic Missions.

The Committee on Domestic Missions offer the following as their Report. Immediately after our appointment at the last session of the Association, we were so fortunate as to secure the services of Elder Henry Speight, at one dollar per day, while in our employ. We are happy to say that brother Speight labored faithfully and successfully, and has strongly commended himself to us as an efficient missionary. His services were given in Washington and Tyrrel counties, and to one station in Gates county. During the year he was engaged in missionary work 133 days; preached 84 sermons, delivered 4 lectures on baptism; baptized 45, and received three others for the ordinance; travelled 1797 miles; crossed the Albemarle sound nine times, and collected for his services $102.01. He also constituted one new church at Watery Swamp in Gates, and reconstituted another at Free Chapel, Washington county. We still owe him $31. for services which has been provided for by the different churches.

Brother Speight has been so successful as to feel justified in continuing in the same field another year on his own responsibility. The results of the past year's labor encourage us to invite your attention to other destitute fields within our bounds. Many sections of the counties lying between the Chowan river and the sea board, are entirely destitute of baptist preaching; and indeed of preaching by ministers of any denomination. Hertford, the county-seat of Perquimmons, deserves immediate attention. This field, if properly cultivated, will yield, under the blessing of God, a rich harvest. Other sections of the same county require missionary labor. Pasquotank, Camden, and Currituck counties all present important points for mission stations.—Some feeble churches in these counties are ready to perish, unless nourished by the hands of the Association. The cry for help, from all parts of the Association, is loud and piercing. Assistance tendered at this moment would be timely; longer delay may be fatal to our interests

In this connexion, we take the liberty to commend to your attention the wants of Roanoke Island. Elder Twine has long labored there, without compensation and in the midst of most discouraging circumstances. Some aid from your body is needed by that worthy brother.

In conclusion, we thank God for what has been done, and take courage for the future.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Q. H. Trotman,
C. R. Hendrickson,
Aaron Jones, Jr., } Com.

[B.]

Report on Tracts and Publications.

The Committee to whom is referred the subject of Periodicals, submit the following Report:

The advantages resulting from a wide diffusion of religious intelligence, are too often overlooked. The little tract can go, and deliver its stirring message, in places where the preacher would not be admitted. Large sums could be usefully employed in the purchase of these little messengers of mercy, for gratuitous distribution.

The religious newspaper is one of the most powerful auxiliaries of the minister of the gospel. Pens of the gifted, are now called into requisition, by the publishers of the journals of the day.

The arrangement about to be made by the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, to publish a monthly newspaper to be called the Home and Foreign Journal, at the low price of 25 cents per year, is one of decided advantage to the Missionary cause. Your Committee recommend that each church take as many copies of the Home and Foreign Journal as there are members in the church.

The publications of the Southern Baptist Publication Society are all of real value. Your Committee recommend that efforts be made to circulate these books within the bounds of the Association.

The Biblical Recorder, having now become the State Denominational organ, is commended to the cordial support of the Association.

The Youth's Penny Gazette, a semi-monthly Journal for Sabbath Schools, costing Five Dollars for 40 copies per year, is also recommended as worthy of our support. The paper can be obtained at the office of the American Sabbath School Union.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

T. W. TOBEY, *Chairman.*

[C.]

Report on the N. C. Baptist State Convention.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the N. C. B. S. Convention, would respectfully submit the following.

Whereas, the designs of the N. C. B. S. Convention are entirely compatible with our Saviour's instructions to his disciples, to "Go into all the world and preach *the* gospel to every creature;" and whereas, money or its equivalent is indispensable to the accomplishment of this noble object; and whereas, (according to information received through the proper channel,) the Convention, has not a sufficiency of means to meet all the demands being made upon her; and whereas, we are desirous to do more than we have hitherto done, your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

1st.—To secure a larger amount of contributions, and to conform nearer to the primitive mode, in their collection.

Resolved, That this Association recommend each church within her bounds, to adopt some plan of regular contributions, (either weekly, monthly, or quarterly,) as opportunity may afford, and that they be requested to forward all monies thus collected or obtained, to the Chowan Missionary Committee appointed by order of your body at its present session.

2nd. —To supply our own destitution, through the Convention, and to create a deeper interest in behalf of Missions.

Resolved, That the Committee, (appointed by the Chair, consisting of eight persons, three of whom form a quorum for business) be called, *The Chowan Missionary Committee.*

This Committee are to select from among their number a Treasurer and Secretary, and to hold at least four meetings in the year, to transact such business as may to them seem proper. They are to receive all monies, or other donations, transmitted to them for Missionary purposes, by churches, societies or individuals as the case may be. They are to select and employ Missionaries to labor in the destitute parts of this Association, to pay all Missionaries thus selected and employed, to inform the Board of the N. C. B. S. Convention of the same, and to pay over to the Convention through her authorized medium, from time to time, all monies not expended in supporting the gospel in our own bounds.

They will be expected to make a Report of all their proceedings at every meeting of this body.

3d.—To afford the Board of the Convention an immediate increase of funds,

Resolved, That this Association hereby recommend to the several churches (of whom she is composed) the propriety of making one or more of her number life members of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. P. BRITTON, Jr., *Chairman.*

[D.]

Report on Foreign Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions offer the following as their Report.

We have no means of ascertaining the amount of funds contributed to the Foreign Mission cause, by the Churches of the Association; though we fear that a correct estimate would occasion humiliation and sorrow. Some few churches give statedly and systematically, while others give little or nothing. It is evident that our churches as such are not awake to the great work of the world's evangelization. They have confused and indistinct views of the magnitude, grandeur, necessity and practicability of the enterprize; neither do they realize fully the obligation resting upon them to take an active part in subjugating the nations of the earth to the Prince of Peace. This state of things, we believe, originates principally in the want of full information upon the subject, and also in the want of some well defined plan of operation.

We are happy to learn that the Missionary Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention are about to issue a periodical on Missions at a rate so cheap as to adapt it to the circumstances of all churches, and by the general circulation of which the needed information will be diffused. When our people become familiar with the Missionary Enterprize conducted as it is, with prudence, zeal, and efficiency, and realizing the most glorious results in turning men from dumb idols to serve the living God, they will feel that they too may sound out the word of the Lord, to regions beyond them.

The Raleigh Association in this State, has, for several years, sustained a Missionary, the Rev. Mr. Yates, in China. Other Associations in different States are adopting the same plan with manifest advantage to themselves, and to the Mission cause.

Your Committee hesitate not to recommend the adoption of this plan by the Association. We might urge many reasons in its favor, but our limits forbid. We will simply say, that the plan commends itself, inasmuch as it directs the mind to one particular point, instead of giving such a general view as to result in a feeble impression; and it is also well adapted to strengthen the feeling of personal responsibility in sustaining the enterprize.

We can but believe that if the churches of this Association would assume the support of the Rev. J. L. Shuck, Missionary in Shanghai, China, or some other servant of Christ, they would realize annually a much larger amount of funds than at present, and would more effectually cherish among themselves a missionary spirit. The amount needed for this purpose is $600. That this can be raised none can question. This sum divided among our eight thousand members will average only *seven and a half cents* to each individual! Who will refuse to contribute this amount? Who will wish to be denied the precious privilege of sending an Ambassador of the King of kings to nations living in darkness and woe? Shall we not with all of our numbers and wealth, stand in the foremost rank of Associations distinguished for enlightened zeal and cheerful liberality in making known to others "the unsearchable riches of Christ?" Let every church and every disciple of the Redeemer answer in the affirmative.

All of which, &c.,

C. R. HENDRICKSON, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to correspond with the Foreign Mission Board respecting the adoption of a Missionary by this Association, and that they shall report at the next Annual Session.

[E.]

Report on Temperance.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Temperance at the last session of the Association, beg leave to report as follows :

That in their opinion the subject is of much more importance than is generally conceived to be. Temperance is one of the chief christian virtues. It is placed by the apostle Peter by the side of " patience, brotherly-kindness and charity," to be added to faith ; concerning which the apostle says further, " if ye do these things ye shall never fall ; for if those things be in you and abound, they make you that you shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." Temperance was associated by the apostle Paul in his address to Felix with " righteousness and a judgment to come." It is placed also by the same apostle among the fruits of the spirit, against which " there is no law ;" while on the other hand, drunkenness or intemperance is classed among the " works of the flesh," concerning which, the apostle declares " that they which DO such things, *shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.*"—See 2 Peter 1 : 6—10. Acts 24 : 25. Gal. 5 : 19—23. 1 Cor. 6 10.

Then it is evident that intemperance has no sanction in the Word of God, while Temperance is made a part of that rich cluster of fruit, by which the true christian is known. Your Committee are of opinion, therefore, that it is an error to suppose that temperance is something extraneous to, and foreign from christianity. It should be regarded by our churches as necessary to a complete christian character. It was so regarded by the inspired apostles. While therefore, we as Baptists are jealous for the purity of church order—while we preserve faithfully the ordinances as they were delivered, and " contend earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints," we should not forget that the heart, the morals and the life are to be formed by the pattern set before us in the examples and precepts of Christ and His apostles ; lest we be charged by our Lord and Master with " tithing the mint, the annis, and the cummin," while we neglect the " weightier matters of the law."

Your committee are of the opinion that the churches should purge themselves from the sin of intemperance, and that to this end, every member should dissolve all connexion with the manufacture, sale and use as a beverage, of all intoxicating drinks. This has been found to be the only practicable and effective remedy for this prevailing evil. And hear what the blessed Saviour says concerning prevailing sins : " Woe to the world because of offences, for it must needs be that offences come ; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh." Mat. 18 : 7. Now what is taught here? Evidently that the man who causes others to sin, is specially responsible for the evils that he causes. It is no good argument in justification of the manufacturer of, or dealer in intoxicating drinks, that he does not *compel* others to drink ; for says the apostle Paul, " Let no man put a stumbling block, or an occasion to fall in his brother's way." Rom. 14 : 13. And, says the

blessed Saviour, " All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do you even so to them." Now the object of the manufacturer and dealer is to sell. He expects others to buy. The tendency of the article he makes and exposes to sale is to encourage a sin that shuts the soul out of heaven. Now is there a man that lives that would have others do so to him, or to any one connected with him ? He does not compel others to drink neither does the fisherman compel the fish to seize the bait which conceals the hook by which he is caught. But he baits the hook to catch the fish, and he puts it in his way in order that by the force of his own appetite he may be caught. The spider does not compel the fly to entangle himself in his silken web, but he weaves the web to catch the fly, and that too, that he may suck his blood. So is it with the maker and seller of intoxicating drinks. He prepares the bait for the man who drinks. He knows that his appetite will compel him to sieze the bait willingly, unconscious of the hook it conceals. Intent only upon his gain, as the spider preparing the web to catch the fly, is intent upon the blood of his victim, he continues to put this bait in his brother's way, knowing that he will be deceived by it, and justifies himself by saying that he does not *compel* him to drink. These arguments will have no weight at the bar of God. We were made of one blood, of one brotherhood—linked together by a common nature. It is the duty of the strong to support the weak ; and especially not to "put an occasion to fall" in a brother's way as a temptation to his weakness.

Hear what the apostle Paul saith again : "It is good neither to eat flesh, *nor to drink wine*, nor *any thing*, whereby thy brother *stumbleth*, or is offended, or is *made weak*." Rom. 14 : 21. Again, " If *meat* make my brother to offend, I will not eat no more meat while the world standeth, *lest I make my brother to offend*." 1 Cor. 8: 1. This is the true spirit of Christianity. It is to do all possible good, and no possible evil. It is to deny ourselves in any thing and every thing which *may* have an evil influence upon others. It is to lead as many as possible to heaven, and allure as many as possible from hell. Now this cannot be done by the sale, manufacture or use as a beverage of intoxicating drinks. With these we can do no good, but may do much evil ; we cannot glorify God by this business ; we cannot ask God's blessing upon it. Surely therefore, those who bear the Christian name should not countenance in word or deed, by open justification or convenience the manufacture, the sale, or the use of intoxicating drinks, and especially when he reflects that the use at first moderately, and at last immoderately, is the direct cause of a large proportion of the crime and insanity of our country. Oh yes, the Christian Church should at once remove this foul spot from the Christian profession.

Your Committee are gratified in being able to state, however, that during the past year, the cause of Temperance has made much progress within our bounds. Several Divisions of the Sons of Temperance have been formed and are now in successful operation, an institution which has done much throughout our land in suppressing intemperance and its direful effects. But your Committee are satisfied that this is but the beginning of a much-needed reform. Much yet remains to be done.

A higher sense of personal responsibility needs to be enforced and felt; our churches need purging of the victims and abettors of this evil.—Ministers should preach upon the subject, and use their influence in every way to promote the cause of Temperance, both in and out of the church.

In conclusion, therefore, your Committee submit the following resolutions:

Rssolved, That it is the duty of every Christian to abstain from the manufacture, sale and use as a beverage of all intoxicating drinks, and to do what he can to induce others to do so.

Resolved further, That this Association request the ministers or pastors of churches within its bounds, to preach a sermon upon the subject of Temperance to their respective churches and congregations during the ensuing Associational year.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

AARON JONES, Jr., *Chairman.*

[F.]

Report on the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

Since the last session of this body, we have had abundant cause of devout gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the many and peculiar blessings the Institution has enjoyed. Late in the last term, there were unequivocal tokens of the Spirit's presence in the Institute, but no very striking developments were seen until the commencement of a series of public and private meetings. So general and profound was the feeling, that it would have evinced a disregard of the plainest indications of Providence and jeopardized the eternal interests of the students to have required of them the usual amount of labor. The regular recitations were therefore suspended for a few days, and the time wholly employed in religious exercises. During the meetings 23 young ladies connected with the Institute, indulged hope, most of whom, we trust, are radically changed. Eleven of these have been baptized; others will soon receive the ordinance. The revival has exerted a most happy influence upon the Seminary at large, and we trust the effects will long be felt both in the Institute and in the churches from which the converts come. One of its beneficial effects is, the deepening of a missionary spirit among the young ladies, as evinced in more energetic action in benevolent operations.

The number of students now in attendance is eighty seven; others are daily expected. There are seven teachers constantly employed, besides a lecturer on Anatomy and Physiology. The Board of instruction will be enlarged as may be found necessary, and no expense spared to furnish the most superior educational facilities. The Library and Cabinet have received important additions, and very costly instruments have been added to the Apparatus. The Music Department has been re-organized and furnished throughout with new and superior Pianos. Your Committee would earnestly recommend the co-operation of the

friends of the Institution in enlarging the Library and Cabinet. It affords the Committee much pleasure to state that the new edifice is rapidly progressing and is expected to be ready for occupancy next January, when the organization of the various Departments will be perfected, and our educational facilities very greatly increased. Since dispensing with the Steward's Department, the accommodations for educational purposes have been more ample, and the Board of Instruction better able to perform the appropriate work. We are happy in stating also, that our brethren of the Portsmouth and the Union Associations have given tangible evidence of their sympathy by a hearty co-operation, and have promised further aid. The financial affairs of the Institute are also improved. The available subscriptions, independent of the contingent fund of $5000 designed for any emergency, have, in all, exceeded Eleven Thousand Dollars. A large and productive field yet remains to be canvassed, so that from our undeveloped resources we may confidently expect all needful supplies.

Respectfully submitted, on behalf of the Com.,

M. R. FORY, *Chairman.*

[G.]

Report on the State of Religion.

Your Committee on the State of Religion, report, that through the correspondence from the churches composing this body, they are pleased to learn and believe the cause of Christ is progressing within the bounds of this Association, and notwithstanding some of our churches complain of, and lament the cold inactive state of Religion with themselves, others feel and rejoice in the divine refreshings experienced during the past year. Two newly organized churches have been raised up and received in our Association; and some less than 700 souls since our last convocation, through the instrumentality given of God, the preaching of the gospel, and accompanying influences of the Holy Spirit, have been brought to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of sinners, through faith in his atoning blood, and acceptance in his visible body, the church. The kind and favorable reception manifested and extended to our home missionary in the field of his labors—his success of God in the holy work, affords encouragement for united effort with devout prayer to the great Head of the Church, that his favor may continue to bless and prosper our feeble and inefficient efforts. There appears to be an increasing interest and desire in the churches to advance the cause of God by sending the preached gospel to all the destitute. The accomplishing of this great and glorious end, we recommend the spirit of love and union in the truth and singleness of effort to glorify God, our Heavenly Father, in the salvation of poor sinful man.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

[H.]

Report on Wake Forest College.

The Committee on Wake Forest College beg leave to offer the following as their Report:—

This Institution has been in operation about eighteen years. Its progress has been much retarded by a heavy debt hanging over it; but during the passed year more than half this debt has been paid, and subscriptions have been obtained, and will be collected during the present year amply sufficient to relieve the College of debt. The Trustees have an Agent in the field actively engaged in collecting the subscriptions due, and labouring for the endowment of at least one Professorship. The object of the endowment is two-fold. First, to give permanency and efficiency to the Institution. No College, while unendowed and while dependent entirely upon tuition fees for support, can be regarded as permanent. Under adverse circumstances students may fail, and the revenue be so reduced as seriously to involve the Institution in debt. But if there be a fund sufficiently large for the interest arising therefrom to sustain one professorship or more, it will be placed beyond the reach of such a contingency.

Again; when the officers of the College are receiving their salary from an endowment fund, tuition then can be gratuitously afforded to all young ministers wishing to avail themselves of the advantage of a collegiate course. Surely we should use every effort to bring about a result so desirable. Your Committee learn, that the Trustees of the College propose to raise at this time fifteen or twenty thousand dollars as an endowment fund, the interest only to be used, the principal ever remaining unexpended. This amount will enable them to add another to the present number of officers in the Institution—a result of much importance to the prosperity of the College and of consequent interest to our denomination.

In raising this endowment fund, the Agent is authorized to dispose of scholarships to individuals or churches at five hundred dollars for each scholarship. Any church or individual contributing this sum will have the privilege of continuing at the College one pupil for fifty years free of charge for tuition. Our churches, by availing themselves of this provision, may secure a permanent interest in the College, whereby they may effect good for years to come. The location of the College is a healthy one and in a moral neighborhood. The instruction afforded is thorough—equal to any in the State; and the expenses are altogether reasonable. In the Academical or preparatory department, board, tuition and room rent amount to $60.50 per session. In the Collegiate department it is only $65.50. The Faculty consists of three professors and two tutors, all well qualified to discharge their respective duties.

In view of these facts, your Committee would recommend for adoption by your body the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That we believe Wake Forest College well deserving our patronage.

Resolved, That we recommend to all our brethren the patronage of our own College in preference to any other.

Resolved, That we recommend the churches composing our body to take scholarships in the endowment of Wake Forest College.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

AARON J. SPIVEY, *Chairman.*

Report on Sabbath Schools.

Man is naturally a *religious* being: we do not mean a *holy* being, but that such is his constitution that there is a natural tendency to some religious sentiment.

This is not peculiar to enlightened nations; the rudest savage has his system of theology. This religious disposition, however, prevails to a greater extent among civilized nations, and in such it developes itself at a much earlier age than among savages. Indeed, reason has hardly dawned, or, the judgement influenced the will ere we have formed some religious notions. We have skeptics and enquirers at seven, and religious disputants at ten years of age. The sublime and mysterious doctrines of the Sacred Volume are discussed with the greatest assurance long ere we suppose the youthful mind occupied with such subjects. The child *early* seeks truth, and unless properly directed in his investigations will form such conceptions of his relations and obligations as are most congenial to his depraved nature. From this alone, we may infer the necessity of *early* religious education. But there are other considerations equally weighty. In childhood the heart is most susceptible of impression, and impressions then made are deepest and longest retained, whatever may be their character. Principles can be instilled in the mind of the child which will govern the man through life. Further, in childhood, there is comparatively little of that dislike to religion which is so often manifested in later life. We have no strong prejudices to remove, no antipathies to overcome, other than those which are at all times natural to the unrenewed heart; the child has not yet contracted evil habits; conscience is not yet seared and can be successfully appealed to; he has not yet marked out a course of conduct, he has no established principles of action and his views can therefore be modified, his energies directed, and he fitted for future life. Religious principle is the only safeguard to virtue. A mere *intellectual* education affords no security from the snares of the world; it forms no protection against the assaults of the adversary. If the will be not disciplined, and the heart cultivated, the expansion of the intellect will only increase the power of doing evil without imposing additional moral restraints.—Greatly, therefore, do they err who suppose they are discharging their whole duty to their children in providing for their intellectual culture and physical wants. Rather let the child suffer for the common necessaries of life; rather let him grow up ignorant of the merest rudiments of science, than that his moral nature be neglected. Contemplate a moment the rising generation. In a few short years the dearest inter-

ests of community will be entrusted to their hands. In them we behold the fathers and mothers of the next generation. In them we see the future legislators, magistrates, and citizens of our country.—They are, emphatically, the hope of our country. They are either to perpetuate, or destroy our civil and religious institutions. They are either to lend their influence to the spread of vice or the encouragement of virtue; therefore, he who gives to society a family well educated, intellectually and morally, is in the strictest sense of the word, a public benefactor. He does more for community than he who founds colleges or establishes public libraries. On the other hand, he who allows his children to grow up without moral and intellectual culture, and thus permits them to contract vicious habits, is, as truly a curse to society, as one scattering a nest of vipers spreads death and desolation around him. So he who sends forth his children from the paternal roof with corrupt principles, spreads moral pestilence wherever they go. —Thus do many parents; hence the necessity of Sabbath Schools as a means of early religious education. Your Committee can only refer to the reflex influence of Sabbath Schools upon those engaged in them. It is with our spiritual as with our physical faculties,—they must be vigorously exercised to be fully developed. To be spiritually healthy, we must be spiritually active. Further, the Sabbath School is emphatically the nursery of the church. In revivals, the most promising converts come from the Sabbath School. A very cogent argument for the immediate establishment of such schools is, the infrequency of public worship in many of our churches, and the consequent violation of God's day. The desecration of the Sabbath is a most prolific source of evil. God has strikingly manifested his disapprobation of the sin by so often allowing it to produce the most awful results. Were our churches to engage in this work with energy, it would furnish most profitable employment for our members, would invest the Sabbath with a greater degree of sanctity, and thus measurably prevent its desecration with the soul-destroying effects. Your Committee would most earnestly urge the organization of Sabbath Schools in all our churches and in destitute neighborhoods, believing that the interests of our Master's kingdom would thus be greatly advanced. They would also particularly recommend that Sabbath School Libraries be obtained and missionary periodicals furnished the pupils. A Library of ONE HUNDRED VOLUMES can be obtained for Ten Dollars by addressing a line with the amount enclosed to Rev. J. McDaniel, Wilmington; Rev. L. Colby, New York; or, to Charles Wortham, Richmond, Va.—They would also recommend the new missionary journal of the Southern Board at Richmond, as a most important auxiliary in Sabbath School effort. Terms 25 cents per annum. Address H. K. Ellyson.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Com.,

M. R. FORY, *Chairman.*

LETTER OF CORRESPONDENCE.

The Chowan Association to the Portsmouth, Union, and Tar River Associations in correspondence with her.

DEAR BRETHREN:

We continue our correspondence with feelings of gratitude to God for innumerable evidences of his watchful care, ever present to shield and protect us. After an interval of twelve months, the delegates of our several churches are once more in session; and we are cheered by the presence of delegates representing each one of you. As fellow-laborers together with you, as part and parcel of one great people, we greet you and properly appreciate this new evidence of fraternity.—"In union there is strength—in the multitude of counsellors there is safety."

Our field of labor, during the last associational year, has been neither barren or unfruitful; God having graciously crowned our efforts to propagate his gospel, by adding near Six Hundred happy converts to our churches. Our present anniversary has been marked by extraordinary unity and harmony, and we believe our great head has been spiritually present, working "in us both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Our thoughts seem to run into new channels, and the obligation to aid and assist more strenuously in evangelizing the world, rests with more than ordinary weight on our minds. The presence of a returned missionary has greatly stimulated our interest in the Foreign Mission field, and his eloquent appeals in behalf of those who are bowing down to stocks and stones: never having heard "the glad tidings of salvation and of that life and immortality brought to light in the gospel." We have resolved to sustain a missionary in China, and God being our helper this Association will "hold the rope" while he dispenses the Word of life to the perishing in that benighted region.

Our Female Collegiate Institute is steadily progressing in usefulness, and rapidly assuming that position in public confidence, enjoyed only by such institutions as properly combine the solid and useful branches of education with the ornamental. Brethren, bear in mind that this Institute is yours also, by adoption, and appointment of men of your

own choice, as members of our board, clothed with all the powers and privileges belonging to any as trustees. We have at this time, eighty-seven young ladies, in regular attendance. Our chief want *now* is a building suited to such an undertaking. This is already in the hands of a contractor, and will be ready for occupancy by the commencement of a new year, at which time our Institution will offer every facility for imparting instruction possessed by any other either North or South.—Believing that we have the oracles of God, *unaltered*, confided to us as a denomination, ought we not to educate our children and wards, without committing this important trust into other hands? How many sons and daughters of Baptists are annually lost to us as a denomination through prejudice *intentionally instilled* into their young minds by those engaged in school teaching? The policy of sending them into a region where sentiments confessedly hostile to us (both religious and political) are entertained, for education, begins to be viewed in its proper light by Southern parents and guardians.

We have abundant resources, both mental and pecuniary, to supply our wants. And our three Associations, acting in concert in support of this interesting object, will, under the providence of God, build up an institution for the education of our daughters, that will compare favorably with any of like character in the confederacy.

Our next anniversary will be held with the church at Piney Grove, Gates county, beginning Thursday before the 3d Lord's day in May next, at which place and time we hope to meet full delegations from each one of you.

Dear brethren, may "the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all."

OBITUARY.

Departed this life, on the 12th of July, 1849, at his residence in Chowan county, William White, late pastor of the church at Ballard's Bridge. The Association, at its session May, 1850, requested one of its members to prepare an obituary notice of this excellent man of God; but circumstances entirely unforeseen and unexpected prevented a compliance with the request within the time anticipated.

William White, the subject of this notice, was born in the county of Chowan, A. D. 1784, and was reared by parents connected with the society of Friends. As is usual with Quakers, young White was early taught to labor for that sustenance necessary to the support of the body; in fact his father had but small means to have expended in educating the son, had time and opportunity offered. He acquired the rudiments of an English education in a course of study prosecuted within himself, and mainly at night. Little is known of his early life, save that he was temperate, industrious, and an orderly member of society. By nature retiring and diffident, he seemed rather to shun the public gaze, than seek to attract it; it is not then remarkable that an individual so constituted should have passed his earlier years unobserved and to a considerable degree unnoticed. He intermarried with Theresa Perry, daughter of Amos Perry, a Methodist preacher, in his 24th year. In the year 1816 he became fully convinced that his morality and observance of forms could not reconcile and render him acceptable to an offended God: something more than mere belief in the truths of revelations was required of him. Jesus Christ had said "if ye love me keep my commandments—and he that loves father or mother more than me, is not worthy of me." He determined to embrace the gospel in all its requirements, and yield a willing obedience thereto. He was baptized by Elder John Nowell, and became a member of the church at Ballard's Bridge in his 32d year. As a church member he was remarkable for a strict observance of all its rules: regular in his attendance when able upon its duties, consistent in his walk and pious in his conversation; but that diffidence and low self-appreciation so observable in him, no doubt long restrained him from yielding himself to what he felt to be a call of God to the ministry. Like Moses no doubt he remonstrated and tried to excuse himself. "Who am I that I should go to Pharoah. I am not eloquent, but slow of speech and slow of tongue;" but as of old so was it with our deceased bro.; his master would take no excuse, and the church upon learning his impressions, resolved in 1821, that Wm. White have license to preach and exercise the gift conferred on him. He entered upon the work and continued to preach under this permit until the year 1834, at which time he was ordained to the ministry by a presbytery, supposed to consist of Elders Martin Ross, John Jordan and Miles Welch, called together at the instance of his church. In 1837 he was elected to, and accepted the pastorate of the church at Ballard's Bridge, and for twelve years was its faithful shepherd. Though he had to encounter the defects of early education, and to give much of his time to secular employments, yet God gave

him souls for his hire—the church under his guidance grew and many were added to its fellowship. His discourses like himself, were plain and unpretending, addressed to the hearts of his hearers,—solemnly impressed with the truths of the gospel himself, he affectionately entreated his hearers to believe for themselves and seek an interest therein. The influence of his affectionate admonitions coupled with his pious walk upon his congregation, is seen in the large additions made to his flock while pastor. He manifested in an eminent degree that "charity which suffereth long and is kind—which envieth not—vaunteth not itself—is not puffed up—doth not behave itself unseemly—seeketh not its own—is not easily provoked—thinketh no evil." Those most intimately acquainted with Elder White, will be struck with the faithfulness of this Apostolic portraiture of his character, though drawn hundreds of years before his birth.

The deceased was subjected to periodical attacks of Inflammatory Rheumatism, a disease remarkable for the intensity and protraction of suffering attending it This had been his condition for several years anterior to his last illness. A near neighbor and dear brother says of him, "In his last sickness, he often expressed himself in language like the following: 'My labours are nearly finished, my day of probation nearly ended. I am about to partake of those heavenly blessings of the saved in Christ, which I have long tried to persuade men to believe and seek through a crucified and blessed Saviour.'" In his last hours though tortured by pain, he maintained perfect serenity and composure of mind. It was the effect of resignation to the will of his Heavenly Father, and an unshaken and abiding faith in a loving and crucified Redeemer.

"I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin, worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God."

Though Science marked thee not—yet thou knew'st well
In plainest language, noblest truths to tell:
And though thy page was not with learning fraught,
Yet did'st thou *live*, what others only *taught*.

CATALOGUE

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Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

The Institution is located in one of the most healthy sections of Eastern Carolina, and in a community distinguished for its moral character. It is established for holy purposes;—to discipline mind;—instrumentally, to sanctify mind; and then direct its strengthened energies. The latter are regarded as of paramount importance, as transcendent talent, without moral culture, produces only evil. That system of education, is, therefore, radically defective which neglects the heart. The true system contemplates a symmetrical development of *all* the faculties—physical, intellectual and moral—and has regard to the whole sum of our existence. Such a system we would have our own.

Course of Study.

The Institution is incorporated, and may be regarded as a permanent establishment, where young Ladies can complete the most extended course of studies. It is divided into three Departments: Primary, Academic and Collegiate. Pupils are not admitted to the Academic Department until after ten, nor to the Collegiate until fourteen years of age, except in extraordinary cases. The Collegiate Department includes a course of four years. Those completing the full course, receive a Diploma, bearing the seal of the Institute. In the work of instruction, *thoroughness* is regarded of primary importance. The student is allowed to prosecute only a few studies at a time, and to advance no further than she can proceed intelligently; at every step evolving principles, and aiming at the cultivation of her reasoning powers. The solid branches receive the most attention. Ample provision, however, is made for the study of those of an ornamental character.

It will be seen that the various branches are so arranged that each study is preparatory to the next, and that ample time is given to them all.

The Course is extensive, and it is so from the conviction that the age demands it. Woman is a centre of mighty influences. With her is, chiefly, the governing power. Her influence is felt in all the relations of life, and affects the character of the nation—affects the character of the world. Man moulds governments, but Woman moulds Man.

The question may arise, "Why should Woman spend time in Mathematical and Philosophical studies? Is she to become the surveyor or navigator?" We answer, No. But, though Woman be not the practical surveyor, needs she not strength of mind in her proper sphere? Are all her duties of so trifling a nature that they require no exercise of her reasoning powers? In her intercourse with the world is she too not liable to be governed by false principles of action? Is she not in danger from the subtleties of infidelity, and should not she too be able to expose the wiles of the sophist? Again, Woman is a teacher of morals. To be a competent instructor should she not know something of the philosophy of moral science? Called too to mould mind, should she not understand the laws of mind? And will not an acquain-

tance, with the laws and operations of nature, besides expanding her own powers, be of much practical utility in her sphere of action, and better qualify her for imparting instruction at the fireside, thus rendering the domestic circle a source of intellectual improvement?

Woman too, is a teacher of language. Should not she, whose diction gives character to the style of a little community, be well acquainted with the laws of language and the right use of terms? To Woman, also, must we look for those influences which refine the taste, and render home attractive. To be fitted, in the *highest* sense, for all this, her faculties must be subjected to the most rigid discipline, in an *extended* course of study.

Partial Course.

Those wishing to pursue a limited Course, can select such Studies as they may prefer.

Incentives to diligence are furnished rather from the moral relations of the individual, and the obligations growing out of them, than from appeals to ambition and and the hope of reward. The object is, to make the Student feel her responsibility as a social and rational being, endowed with the power of doing both good and evil, and the obligation resting upon her to strengthen her faculties, as a means of *usefulness to others* and of happiness to herself. A record of the recitations of each day is kept, and frequent reports, of the standing of each Student, made to her friends.

Apparatus.

The Institution is furnished with unusual educational facilities. The Astronomical, Chemical and Philosophical Apparatus, is not surpassed by that of any Institution of Learning in the State. The young Ladies are accustomed to use the instruments in performing illustrative experiments and thus acquire a more practical knowledge of the branches studied. Astronomic observations are frequently made by the Students with a superior Achromatic Telescope.

Library, Reading Room and Cabinet.

The Institute has a Library of choice Works, which, together with the Reading Room; containing Periodicals from different sections of the country, furnishes, at present, sufficient reading matter. The Cabinet of Minerals is being rapidly enlarged, and will soon afford all necessary facilities in the Study of Geology and Mineralogy.

Music Department.

Music is taught both as a science and an art. The Department is furnished with new and very superior Instruments. Musical Soirees are held at regular intervals, at which all the advanced Students of Music are required to perform.

Literary Society and Periodical.

Connected with the Seminary is a Literary Society, composed exclusively of the young Ladies of the Institute. A monthly Periodical is established and read at the regular meetings of the Society.

Scientific Lectures.

Extensive Courses of Lectures are delivered, on the premises of the Institute, accompanied by Experimental Illustrations

Religious Exercises.

The Students are organized into Bible Classes, and are required to recite every Sabbath, either in the Institute, or in one of the Sabbath Schools of the Village Churches. They are also required to attend Divine Service at such place as their Parents or Guardian may prefer. The daily exercises of the Institute are opened and closed with appropriate Religious Services.

Board of Instruction.

The advantages resulting from so large a Board of Instruction are important. By this extensive arrangement the Pupils can be properly classified. The younger are not discouraged by an association with the older Students, while those more advanced are not retarded by being classed with Pupils just commencing their Course. There is also a division of labor, and Teachers have time to prepare for their work. The most *thorough* instruction cannot be imparted where a Teacher is required to give attention to many different branches.

Government.

The Government is vested in the Principal and his colleagues in the Faculty. It is regarded as of primary importance that the student be induced to act from *principle*, rather than from the fear of punishment;—to do right from a *love* of right. The discipline is mild. Every effort is made to reclaim the erring by kindness and private appeals to the reason and conscience; if these efforts fail, the student is privately removed from the Institution. No young lady will be allowed to remain in the Seminary whose example tends to encourage indolence or insubordination, or, whose influence is in any respect, of an unfavorable character.

The Students are amenable to the laws of the Institute during the whole period of their connection with it. Those from abroad, are not allowed to make and receive visits, or attend any exhibition, without permission from the Principal.

In going abroad, they are accompanied by the Teachers. They are not allowed to open an account with merchants, without permission from their Parents or Guardian, and all purchases must be approved by the Teacher accompanying them.

Uniform.

In order to form habits of economy, and prevent rivalry in dress, a uniform is prescribed for Sabbaths and holidays. For winter, deep blue Merino, or other suitable fabric;—for Summer, pink Calico, Ginghams, or white Cambric or Muslin. The Bonnet, straw, trimmed with blue for winter and pink for summer. On ordinary occasions, any dress may be worn not more expensive than the Uniform. Expensive jewelry is not allowed to be worn by the Students.

Sessions and Vacations.

There are two sessions of five months each, commencing on the second Wednesday in October and March. There are two vacations; the first from the second Wednesday in August to the second Wednesday in October; the second is from the 25th of December to the first of January.

Examination and Commencement.

The Collegiate year is closed by a public examination, and the Commencement exercises of the graduating class.

Students will be received at any time. It is earnestly recommended however, that young ladies enter at the *commencement* of the session, as a tardiness of a few days often embarasses the pupil throughout a whole term.

No deduction will be made for an absence of less than one month, except in case of illness. There are two reasons for this : first, arrangements for teaching can be made only by the session, or the year; second, so important is *early* attendance to the pupil, that we wish to employ every means to secure it.

Parents and Guardians are earnestly requested not to bring young Ladies on the Sabbath.

Physical Exercise.

The students are required to take regular exercise in the open air. The site of the new edifice includes twenty eight acres, and affords an extensive Campus, with ample range, for the young ladies, without going abroad. The new building will be warmed by a Hot Air Furnace, the advantage of which to health, in securing constant ventilation, will be appreciated by those acquainted with it. Apartments will also be fitted up expressly for warm and cold bathing ; and ample provision made for physical exercise during inclement weather.

Murfreesboro' is approached from the south by the Wilmington Rail Road as far as Enfield, or Garysburg—the former forty, and the latter thirty miles distant from the Institute. Conveyances for passengers will be found at both places. From the North and East, after the first of April 1851, young Ladies can come by the Portsmouth and Roanoke Rail Road, stopping at Boykin's Depot, eleven miles from Murfreesboro', where a regular conveyance will always be found.

Course of Study and Text Books.

Primary Department.

Reading; Writing; Intellectual Arithmetic; Elementary Geography, with Globes; Elementary Arithmetic, with Exercises on Black-board; Elementary Drawing; Natural History; English Grammar; Elementary History; Composition; Drawing Outline Maps; and Bible History.

☞ This Department will be furnished with Holbrook's Primary School Apparatus.

Academic Department.

FIRST YEAR.

FIRST SESSION.

1. Colburn's Intell. Arithmetic. Davies' do. to Divis. Fed. Money.
2. Morse's Geography, half through.
3. Bullion's English Grammar, to Auxiliary Verbs.
4. Wilson's U. S. History, and Composition.

SECOND SESSION.

1. Colburn's Arithmetic, continued. Davies' Arithmetic, to Reduction of Denom. Fractions.
2. Geography completed, with use of Globes.
3. Bullion's English Grammar to Syntax.
4. Wilson's U. S. History completed; and Composition.

SECOND YEAR.

FIRST SESSION.

1. Intellectual Arithmetic, continued. Davies' Arithmetic, to Coins and Currencies.
2. Bullions English Grammar to Syntax of Participles.
3. Ruschenberger's Natural History of Quadrupeds.
4. Parker's Exercises in Composition.

SECOND SESSION.

1. Intellectual Arithmetic completed and reviewed. Davis' Arithmetic completed.
2. Bullion's English Grammar completed and reviewed.
3. Ruschenberger's Ornithology.
4. Parker's Exercises in Composition.

THIRD YEAR.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Davies' Arithmetic Reviewed, and Davies' Algebra to Fractions.	1. Algebra reviewed, and to Binomia Theorem.
2. Anthon's Latin Lessons to the Verb.	2. Latin Lessons to Adverbs.
3. Botany, (Phelps') through xxii Lecture.	3. Botany, completed.
4. Critical Parsing in Foster's Essay on Decision of Character, and Parker's Exercises in Composition.	4. Ruschenberger's Herpetology and Ichthyology; with semi-weekly Composition.

FOURTH YEAR.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Algebra, through Equations of Second Degree.	1. Algebra reviewed and completed.
2. Latin Lessons (Anthon's) reviewed and completed.	2. Anthon's Cæsar's Commentaries.
3. Mattison's Astronomy.	3. Taylor's Universal History.
4. Parker's Exercises, and letter Writing.	4. Exercises in Analysis and Composition.

Collegiate Department.

FIRST COLLEGIATE CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Geometry, Davies' Legendre.	1. Geometry, nine books, completed.
2. Natural Philosophy, Parker's.	2. Latin. Anthon's Virgil.
3. Cæsar's Commentaries.	3. Natural Philosophy, reviewed and completed.
4. Newman's Rhetoric and Composition.	4. Newman's Rhetoric and Composition.

SOPHOMORE CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Silliman's Chemistry.	1. Silliman's Chemistry, completed.
2. French, Ollendorf's Grammar, and Vie de Washington.	2. French Grammar and Charles XII.
3. Physiology, &c. (Coates's.)	3. Physiology, completed.
4. Mythology and Composition.	4. Greek and Roman Antiquities Fiske's Manual.

JUNIOR CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Trigonometry.	1. Heights and Distances, Mensuration of Surfaces and Solids.
2. French, Racine.	2. French.
3. Logic.	3. Logic, completed.
4. Geology, (Hitchcock's.)	4. Geology completed; and Mineralogy.

SENIOR CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Wayland's Moral Science.	1. Butler's Analogy.
2. Evidences of Christianity.	2. Kame's Elements of Criticism.
3. Paley's Natural Theology.	3. Intellectual Philosophy, and Book-keeping.
4. Intellectual Philosophy, and Campbell's Philosophy of Rhetoric.	4. Astronomy, Olmsted's.

Reading, Writing, Elocution, Composition, and the Bible are studied throughout the whole course.

OPTIONAL COURSE.

Students who prefer going through the whole course, except the Languages, may substitute other studies and obtain a Diploma.

In all the Departments, the advancement of the Pupil in the Classes is determined by her actual progress, and not by the time spent in the Institute.

The following branches may be studied at the option of the Student, viz:

FRENCH,
ITALIAN,
LATIN,
GREEK,
MUSIC—(Piano and Guitar.)
DRAWING,
PAINTING, and
EMBROIDERY.

MINUTES

OF THE

Forty-Sixth Annual Session

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

PINEY GROVE, GATES Co., N. C.,

May 13--16, 1852.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

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Proceedings.

PINEY GROVE, *Gates county, N. C.*, Thursday, May 13, 1852.

The introductory discourse was delivered by Elder Wm. P. Britton, Jr., from 1 Cor. ix, 13 and 14. Subject—Entire consecration to work of the gospel ministry. After a short intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder A. J. Spivey.

Brethren W. D. Pritchard and Jos. B. Morgan were appointed assistant Clerks.

Letters from the churches were called for and read: from them is prepared the Statistical Table.

The list of names being prepared, the roll was called; and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year. Visiting brethren present, were invited to seats, and to participate in our deliberations. The invitation was accepted by Elder A. B. Cabaniss, Missionary elect to China and agent of the Foreign Missionary Board of the So. Bap. Convention, Rev. Dr. W. A. Shaw, Elder Reynoldson and Elder William Jones, Agent of the N. C. Baptist State Convention, and brother C. W. Skinner.

The order of business reported by the Committee of Arrangements last year was adopted for the present session.

New churches at Pleasant Plains in Hertford county, and at Whiteville Grove, Perquimons county, presented letters, through delegates, asking admission into this body. The petitions were referred to Elders Delk, Hoggard and Britton.

The pastor and deacons of the church at this place were appointed a Committee on Pulpit Supplies.

Brethren Stallings, J. R. Darden, J. Smith and William S. Tayloe were appointed a Committee to enquire into the expediency of ordaining the candidate sent up from the church at Capeheart's.

Brethren A. J. Perry, A. Stevens, William P. Forbes and Boone, Committee on the expediency of ordaining the candidate from Connaritsa.

Committee on Wake Forest College—Rev. Dr. Shaw, brethren W. J. Freeman and W. M. Fleetwood.

Committee on Tracts and Publications—Elder Spivey, brethren Askew and R. Simpson.

Committee on State of Religion—Elders Berry, Forbes and Waff.

Committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute—Elder Fory, brethren Morgan and Forbes.

On motion, adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder Waff.

FRIDAY, May 14th, 1852.

Association met according to adjournment. Prayer by Elder R. Jones.

The Committee on the application of the new churches at Pleasant Plains and Whiteville Grove reported favorable to their reception; report received and concurred in. The churches were received by their delegates' receiving the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

Elders Reuben Jones, S. Murfee, Luke, and brethren Isaac Lee, Cross and Welms were recognized as delegates from the Portsmouth Association; a bundle of minutes of their last session was laid on the table.

Elder James B. Taylor, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention being present, was invited to a seat, with which he complied.

The Committee on the expediency of ordaining brother Hancock, reported in favor of the ordination; which was received and concurred in. Elder Delk was selected to conduct the examination in the presence of the Association.

Resolved, That the next session of this body be held with the church at Meherrin, to commence on Thursday before 3d Lord's day in May, 1853. Elder Trotman to preach the introductory and Elder Leary in case of failure.—Elder A. J. Spivey was appointed to preach the Conventional sermon before the next Association.

Resolved, That the monies sent up to the Association from the churches for the China Mission, be deposited in the Treasury of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, to be credited to the Chowan Baptist Association, until a Missionary to China shall be accepted by them.

Resolved, That this Association recommend to the churches fervent, continual and special prayer to God, for a laborer in the great harvest field of China to be adopted for support by this Association.

In accordance with this resolution it was agreed that the 4th Lord's day in June next, be set apart by all the churches as a day of fasting and prayer, that God would send us a laborer for the Chinese field to be supported by this Association.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Present contributions,		$ 92 50
Amount in Treasury,		106 01
		$198 51
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Printing minutes of 1851,	$76 25	
Transcribing same,	25 00	101 25
Balance in Treasury,		$97 26

The Association then took a recess of half an hour.

On re-assembling, the Committee on the expediency of ordaining the candidate sent up from the church at Capeheart's reported adversely to the petition; the report was received and the Committee discharged.

Elder Delk then proceeded to examine brother Hancock, which be-

ing satisfactory, the Association determined that he be ordained.

Elder J. G. Barkley appeared in our midst, and was recognized as a corresponding delegate from the Pamplico Association; a bundle of minutes of the first session of that body was laid on the table.

Committee on Tracts and Publications reported; report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter A.

Elders Fory, Trotman and Spivey constitute the Standing Committee on the China Mission.

Murfreesboro' was selected as the location of the Depository of the Publication and Tract Society. Elders Fory, Spivey, Trotman, Forbes and Britton were appointed a Board to conduct its operations.

A contribution was then made for the Treasury of the Board.

Report of Board of Publication and Tracts, of Monies contributed at the Association.

A B Cabaniss $1, J B Dey 2, E Hancock 1, Q H Trotman 1, William P Britton, Jr, 1, J G Barkley 1, T Waff 1, Jno Nowell 1, Whitmal Stallings 1, J R Powell 1, A J Askew 3, W J Freeman 1, Samuel Sutton 5, R Simpson 1, Jno Wilson 3, Joseph Waff 3, Edward Howell 1, W Benberry 3, Jos Smith 1, J Reynoldson 5, Richard Felton 4, J D Stokely 1, G S Jennings 1, Jas Delk 1, J W Barnes 1, J R Darden 1, E D B Howell 1, C Bunch 1, A J Spivey 10, M R Fory 10, G C Moore 10, C W Skinner 10. Total $88.

M. R. FORY, *Treasurer, of Murfreesboro'.*

Elders Nowell, Harrell and Reynoldson occupied the stand to-day. On motion, adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow; prayer by Elder Trotman.

SATURDAY, May 15, 1852.

Association met according to adjournment; prayer by Elder Reynoldson.

Brother E. Hancock was ordained in the presence of the Association by Elders Trotman, Nowell and Britton.

It was ordered, that the officers of this body give a certificate of ordination to brother E. Hancock to be countersigned by the ordaining presbytery, and that this plan be adopted in future.

Elders Jacob K. Daughtry, William M. Young, J. C. Bailey appeared in our midst, and were invited to seats, with which they complied.

Committee on Home Missions reported; report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter B.

The Committee on Home Missions for the ensuing year are, for East of the Chowan, Elder Q. H. Trotman, brethren Skinner and Morgan; on West of Chowan, Elder Spivey, Jonathan S. Tayloe and W. W. Mitchell.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported; report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter C.

The Association took a recess of half an hour.

On re-assembling, the Committee on Wake Forest College reported; report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter D.

The following brethren were appointed corresponding delegates to the Associations named:

To Portsmouth Association—Elders Shaw, Fory, brethren Wheeler and Parker.

To Pamplico Association—Elders Spivey, Harrell and Hancock.

To Tar River Association—Elders Britton, Webb and Craig.

To Union Association—Elders Waff, Trotman and Shaw.

Elders Britton, Nowell and brother Boone were appointed a Committee on Sunday Schools to report before the next Association.

Elders Shaw, Craig and Harrell were appointed a Committee on Temperance to report at our next session.

The Board of Trustees for the Male Seminary appointed by the last Association, was dissolved; and the following were appointed a new Board, viz.: Charles Manning, William P. Britton, Jr., M. R. Fory, C. W. Mixon, J. P. Rascoe, O. F. Baxter, Pleasant Jordan, W. E. Bond, W. H. Manning, W. S. Grandy, Richard Felton, C. E. Ballard and A. J. Spivey, who are clothed with power to fill vacancies in their body, and five to constitute a quorum.

Committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported; report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter E.

Committee on Temperance reported; report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter F.

Committee on the State of Religion reported; report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter G.

Committee on the North Carolina Baptist State Convention reported; report received and Committee discharged. See Appendix, letter H.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the church and community at this place, for their generous hospitality during the session of this body.

The Clerk was instructed to have 2500 copies of the minutes distributed; and that two pages be allowed for the insertion of the Catalogue of the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

On motion, the Association then adjourned; prayer by Elder Spivey. Elders Spivey, Bailey and Leary occupied the stand to-day.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*.

LORD'S DAY, May 16, 1852.

The previous days of our meeting had been cloudy and unpropitious; but a bright sun beamed on us, the morning of Lord's day; the congregation was large and attentive. Discourses in the house were delivered by Elders J. B. Taylor, R. Jones and Reynoldson: at the stand Elder Cabaniss lectured morning and afternoon on Foreign Missions. Collections for the N. C. Baptist State Convention were taken up, amounting to $37.89. May the Lord bless the labors of this body and the word dispensed by His servants to the promotion of his cause on earth. Amen.

List of Elders or Bishops in the Chowan Association.

1 S Bazemore, Windsor.
2 Abner Berry, South West.
3 Wm P Britton, Jr, Pitch Landing.
4 Andrew M Craig, Hotel.
5 M Corbell, Powell's Point.
6 James Delk, Pitch Landing.
7 D V Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge.
8 Evan Forbes, Camden C H.
9 M R Fory, Murfreesboro.
10 David Harrell, Windsor.
11 Wm H Hardee, Jackson.
12 Thos Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
13 Jno N Hoggard, Windsor.
14 Edward Howell, Factory Hill, Va.
15 M W Jones, South Mills.
16 Pritchard Jordan, Elizabeth City.
17 West Leary, Edenton.
18 Moses L Mizzells, Windsor.
19 Jas Nash, Camden C H.
20 B Nixon, Edenton.
21 Jno Nowell, Colerain.
22 Jas Ross, Windsor.
23 L Sanderlin, Shingle Landing.
24 Wm A Shaw, Murfreesboro.
25 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
26 A J Spivey, Windsor.
27 J D Stokely, South Mills
28 Q H Trotman, Mintonsville.
29 A Twine, Elizabeth City.
30 Thos Waff, Edenton.
31 Henry White, Merry Hill.
32 H J White, St Johns.
33 Jno B Webb, Edenton.

List of Licentiates.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
2 E A Best, Edenton.
3 Wells Briggs, Mintonsville.
4 Jeremiah Bunch, Jr, Windsor.
5 Willie Dunning, Roxabel.
6 J M Goodwin, Hertford.
7 Everitt Hancock, Hotel.
8 R Lassiter, Edenton.
9 Jno P Lee, Somerton, Va.
10 E Pierce, Windsor.
11 Thos Pittman, Berlin, Va.
12 Abram Pruden, Gatesville.
13 J J Rochelle, Murfreesboro.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dism'd by letter.	Excommu'cated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Funds.	Days of meeting.	Sun. Schools.	Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	Vols in Library.
Ahoskie,	W W Mitchell, J B Slaughter, A J Askew,	49	1	1	8	8	4	348	114	461	3 00	4				
Ballard's Bridge	D V Etheridge, R D Simpson, C Bunch,	31			9	7	5	441	107	548	3 00	2	2	10	85	175
Bethel,	R Felton, Samuel Sutton, W M Fleetwood,	60	4	2	5	13	9	279	38	317	3 00	3	1	62	60	
Bethlehem,	Jas Delk, T Hoggard, Wm P Britton, Jr,	66	3	2	2	2	2	150	56	206	3 00	2				
Buckhorn,	J R Darden, J B Jenkins, J W Barnes,	1	1		1		2	69	34	103	2 00	2				
Capeheart's,	Jno N Hoggard, Henry White, Jas Cobb,	49	6		3	3	2	255	108	353	2 00	2	1	6	30	
Cashie,	A J Spivey, D Harrell, W Folk,*	4	4		9	4	10	212	138	350	3 00					
Coleraine,	Jno Nowell, J Wilson, J Smith,	58	3	1	9	4		331	229	560	3 00	1&3				
Connaritsa,	*E Hancock, Willie Dunning*, Geo Williford,	32	2		2	5	5	217	67	284	2 50	3				
Cool Spring,	Asa Hill; *T Pittman*, Jno Matthews,	69	1	2	1	1	2	228	23	251	2 50	1	1	4	50	
Ebenezer,	J S Jones, J N Overton,* E N Bright,	2				5	5	42	34	76	1 50	4				
Edenton,	*E A Best*,* C G Manning,* S T Bond,*	7	2		3	1		65	207	272	2 00	all	1	12	43	100
Elizabeth City,	W D Pritchard, R Simpson, G S Jennings,	7			7	10	6	273	24	297		2&4	4	47	235	740
Great Fork,	O P Savage; J Rogers, A R Collins,	5			2	3	1	130	26	156	1 50	3	1	10	34	
Holly Grove,	J P Freeman,* J S Mitchell,* W J Freeman,	8		1		3	2	49	27	76	1 00	1				
Macedonia,	S Leary, J Moran, T H Ward,	16	5			1	1	55	5	60	1 00	3	1	7	20	
Meherrin,	Wm Vaughn, *J J Rochelle*, Elisha Parker,	40	3	1	4		2	188	90	278	3 00	1				
Middle Swamp,	Henry Speight, W Riddick, W E Matthews,	18	1		4	3	1	117	115	232		2	1	6	35	
Mount Carmel,	K Stevens, Cordy Whitehead, E Stevens,	11	2	1	4	1	5			344	2 50	4				
Mount Tabor,	R B Cobb, Jno Gatling, Pleasant Jordan,	5	2		7	1	1	135	34	169	3 00	4				

Murfreesboro',	M R Fory, J H Lassiter, Jacob Parker,	2	7		3	1	1	43	1	44	5 00	all	1	9	85	
Piney Grove,	E Howell, J D Goodman, E D B Howell,	5	1		3	3	2	94	64	158	2 50	4				
Pleasant Grove	G C Moore, Wm S Tayloe, A J Perry,	11				1		72	19	91	2 00	1				
" Plains,	J A Mizell, Henry Modlin,	19	9						57	57	1 00	1				
Potecasi,	H E Edwards, N Blanchard, M Cook,*	26	2		7	2	4	230	44	274	2 00	2				
Powell's Point,	W S Harrison,* B Gallup,* M Corbell,*	6						21	4	25	1 00	4				
Providence,	S Whitson,* J S Dey, J Bell,*	6	1	1	1	4		82		82	1 50	1				
Ramoth Gilead,	J D Stokeley, M W Jones,* J Temple,	13	1	1		3	6	103	94	197	2 00	1				
Republican,	W H Bunch, J Bunch, Jr, D Peele,	22	4				2	128	32	160	2 00	2&4				
Roanoke Island	A Twine, E Meekins,* W Barrett,*	1				1		115	37	152	1 90	1				
Robert's Chapel	J Atkinson, J Baughm, Wm Boone,	15	3			2		100	37	137	2 50	3	1	4	25	100
Rocky Hock,	Thos. Waff, J B Webb, J T Waff,	35		2	5	9	3	171	9	180	1 50	1	1	10	69	200
Ross' M H,	W J Mitchell, M L Mizzells, A S Mizells,	43		1	3	10	3	349	51	400	2 50	4				
Salem,	Geo W Pendleton, S P Pendleton, A Hollowell,	2		1			2	49	4	53	1 50	2				
Sandy Cross,	Q H Trotman, W Stallings, W H Manning,	62	1	2	27	8	5	264	41	305	3 00	1				
Sandy Run,	A M Craig*: J Lee, J R Powell,	12						97	111	208	1 50	4	1	8	50	100
Sawyer's Creek	E Forbes, J B Morgan, W P Forbes,		4		8	3	2	207	37	244	3 00	2				
Shady Grove,	L Sanderlin,* H W Lee, S G Mitchell,	20	2		5	4	2	95	1	96	1 50	2	1	11	61	
Shiloh,	A Berry, T B Berry, S W Sawyer,					1	9	279	67	346	3 00	1				
Vasser's M H.	W Carstarphen, J Barham, P H Stevenson,*		1		2	2	2	42	27	69	2 00	2				
Watery Swamp	H Hoffler, J Overman, E Blanchard,*	2	2					24		24	1 00	4				
Whitev'e Grove	E N Riddick,* W C Simpson, J R White,		3					26		26	2 00	2				
Yoppim,	W Benbury, J L Ferrill, B H Webb,*		2				3	90	5	95	1 50	4	1	8	40	125
	Ordained Ministers in small capitals, Licentiates in *Italics*, *absent.	956	82	19	144	129	111	7345	2118	9960	92 50		18	161	837	1540

Appendix.

A.

Report on Tracts and Publications.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Tracts and Publications, beg leave to offer the following report:

The present has been truly called an age of progressive improvement. In every department of human operations is this true. And it is gratifying to the christian philanthropist that the church of Jesus Christ has not been inactive amid the busy scenes transpiring around her. Surely she should avail herself of those improvements which the present age boasts, to advance the interest of his cause under whose kind Providence they are made. While then the press is extensively used in giving circulation to the products of unsanctified intellect—in scattering abroad that light and chaffy literature which threatens to inundate our whole country, and which creates, wherever its blighting influence reaches, a sickly sentimentalism, equally removed from sound intellectual acquirements and from a healthy state of moral feelings; it is truly gratifying to witness the efforts made by the church of Christ to stay the baneful effects of this intellectual Simoom, by circulating the antidote coextensively with the poison. This is as it should be. Every christian hand should be actively engaged in giving as wide a circulation as possible to those wholesome, religious publications that are now being so rapidly thrown out by the religious presses in our land.

We will not stop here to dwell upon the benefits arising from the publication and distribution of religious Tracts. Their effects, when they are made to wing their way into the gilded saloons of the rich or into the lowly dwellings of the humble poor, are their best, their loudest trumpeters. As Autumn leaves, falling upon the bosom of mother, earth, serve to fertilize the soil and cause it to yield more abundantly to the drafts made by man; so these but stimulate the moral soil to yield a richer harvest to the spiritual cultivator. Your committee would therefore suggest, that every church connected with your body be encouraged to become active distributors of religious Tracts.

Nor need your Committee discuss at length the advantages of religious periodicals. Such have been too generally circulated within the bounds of your body, not to be at least partially appreciated. Ignorance of, and a want of sympathy for the benevolent operations of the church must exist in that christian family whose home is not visited by

the religious newspaper. Your Committee would therefore suggest that those excellent periodicals formerly recommended, be again recommended to the patronage of the churches; and that every minister of the Gospel in your connexion be earnestly solicited to exert himself for increased circulation, especially of our State organ, "The Biblical Recorder."

But your Committee believe that something more can be done by a body so large and so respectable for its intelligence and efficiency as yours, besides the circulation of religious Tracts and periodical publications. The Baptists as a denomination must have a literature of their own. So long as we are dependent for our literature upon those whom in many respects we regard as serious errorists, though we may recognise them as honestly pious, so long will we be subject to injury from their errors. In almost all pedo-baptist publications there is mingled that which we as Baptists recognise as erroneous. In dissiminating their literary productions among our people therefore, we sow the bad as well as the good seed, for they are inseparably bound up in the same paper. Let us then cultivate a literature of our own, and thus so far we can, remedy this evil.

But again. The church of Jesus Christ, and we as Baptists claim to be such, stands, in some respects at least, antagonistic to every other organization. We have some doctrinal views divers from all others claiming to be christian churches, and these doctrines we regard as essential to the church of Jesus Christ. How then are these peculiarities to be sustained—how are they to be defended, so that the true ground we occupy may be understood and appreciated. We cannot expect our opponents to enlighten on these subjects. Baptist Publications must effect this or it remains undone, only so far as it results from the preaching of the living minister.

Again. Your Committee regret that so few churches within the bounds of your body have supplied themselves with libraries. We recognize a well selected library as a very efficient instrumentality for usefulness; and believe that every Pastor will find himself materially aided in training the church over which he is called to preside where such an instrumentality exists.

And further, your Committee confidently believe that great increase of patronage would accrue to all the benevolent operations for the extension of Christ's cause on earth, by increasing the circulation of intelligence among our churches, resulting from scattering more widely the publications thrown out by our publication societies. How can these ends be accomplished? Your Committee recommend that measures be immediately taken to erect at some point within the bounds of the Association a Book Depository for the more easy circulation of our denominational publications.

In furtherance then of the views as above expressed, your Committee recommend for your adoption the following resolutions.

Resolved, That we recommend to the churches composing this body more actively in the circulation of religious Tracts.

Resolved, That we commend to the patronage of every Baptist in our connection, the "Biblical Recorder" and the "Home and Foreign Journal."

Resolved, That an effort be immediatily made to raise funds for the erection of a Book Depository at some point within our bounds.

Resolved, That the churches be advised to provide themselves through the Depository with religious books, especially of a denominational character.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

AARON J. SPIVEY, *Ch'r.*

B.

Report on Home Missions.

The Committee on Itinerancy would beg leave to offer the following as their report:

Soon after the Association, we secured the services of Elder Abraham Twine, to travel and preach in the lower part of Currituck county, embracing Powell's Point, Roanoke Island and North Banks. A more destitute region (so far as Baptist preaching is concerned) is not to be found in our State, much less within our bounds. He commenced his labors the 12th of July, 1851, and closed the 2d of May, 1852, during which time he crossed the sound 45 times, traveled 1936 miles, was engaged 162, received $15.22 1-2, expended in travelling $21.75, preached 133 sermons and baptized 6, though little good has been done to human appearance. Yet in view of all the disadvantages under which he labored, we have reason to thank God and take courage. It should be remembered that the most of brother Twine's field has for a number of years been under the influence (measurably) of the Anti-mission spirit, and we know that wherever it prevails, it produces a blighting and a withering influence, and has never failed to result in infidelity. But there appears to be a re-action taking place. Quite a deep interest is beginning to be felt upon the subject of religion, and much anxiety expressed by the people to have preaching. Since your last Association, we have received for Home Mission purposes a sufficient amount to settle brother Twine's account, and have a very small surplus in the hands of the Treasurer, but the amount in hand is by no means sufficient to meet the demands of the ensuing year. We wish to continue brother Twine's services or some other brother's, during the next Associational year in the same field, so as not to loose what we have already gained. The labor of our Missionary last year has paved the way, we think, for gathering in a large harvest of souls, therefore, brethren, let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. We trust that some of our ministering brethren will go to brother Twine's assistance, and aid him in holding one or more protracted meetings. And we trust that all our brethren in the ministry, will exert themselves in trying to raise a sufficient amount to meet the righteous demands of our brother, who labors under so many disadvantages. Be assured that no one knows the privations of

a missionary in that field, but those who have been there. In view of all the circumstances that present themselves to your consideration, we would humbly suggest the following resolution.

Resolved, That the pastors of each church be requested to present the claims of Home Missions to his charge, and to take up two collections during the year for that special object.

All of which is respectfully submitted

BY THE COMMITTEE.

C.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions report, that there is abundant encouragement to more vigorous effort in this God-honoring soul-saving work. Our brethren in China are prosecuting their labors with great zeal and the most happy results. A commodious chapel has been erected in one of the large cities, and religious services are regularly held and well attended. God is evidently preparing that mighty nation for the reception of his gospel. The prejudices of the people are less violent; their opposition more feeble; their respect for their own religion rapidly diminishing; and their anxiety to hear the truth daily increasing. These changes are all necessary prior to the spread of the gospel, and the fact of their occurrence, plainly indicates the merciful designs of Providence toward that people, and shows us our duty in relation to them. Let the church of Christ remember, that she is the great instrumentality for the conversion of the world. None other has ever been appointed.

The duty of engaging in this work devolves upon *every* member of the body of Christ. It is not merely the ministry, but the *church* that is the light of the world; and until *every* disciple of the Saviour devote his entire energies to this world-saving work, the light of the church will not so shine, as in the highest sense, to glorify God.

And there are the most powerful incentives to this self-consecration. The signs of the times are signally portentous. The gates of China are thrown wide to us. Burmah is, prospectively, accessible. Ethiopia is even now stretching forth her hands to God. A Mohammedon Sovereign protects a christian chief from his christian brethren. Popish priests circulate the Scriptures. Whole communities renounce the papal faith. The Roman Pontiff is insulted by his own subjects under the very shadow of St. Peter. The Anathemas of the Vatican are ridiculed and disregarded. A prime minister of China is deposed from office for a virtual defence of Christianity. Our missionaries preach in the temples of the heathen, and ridicule and denounce idolatry in the very presence of the idols and their besotted worshippers;—all indicating a breaking down of long established prejudices, preparatory to the reception of the gospel.

But there is another circumstance deserving notice. Woman through-

out the world, is beginning to occupy a higher position. In the East, the idea that she is an inferior being, without a soul, is becoming obsolete. She is now regarded as susceptible of improvement, and even allowed to receive instruction. And mark what is being done in our own land. Strikingly coincident is the fact, that here too, woman is being elevated. The history of the world does not afford a parallel instance of deep and absorbing interest in female education.

Institutions are now established for her special benefit, which compare favorably with those of the other sex, and their halls are crowded with the daughters of the land.

A standard of education has obtained by which she was, even recently, deemed incapable of profiting, and by it we see her daily rising to her true position in society.

Mark the ultimate bearing of all this. We find woman at the East becoming more accessible, but generally accessible to the female missionary alone. From the peculiar structure of oriental society, the minister of Christ can do comparatively little for her; but in this increased attention to female education at home, can we not discern the hand of Providence preparing future laborers for the field abroad? The developments of the age do most plainly indicate, that in the mighty and glorious work of the world's conversion, woman is to perform a most important part. To fit her, in the highest sense, for this stupendous work of mercy, we must have institutions of the highest order, furnished with ALL the educational facilities the age affords, and sacredly devoted to the missionary enterprise.

In closing their report, your Committee would propose to each church member the important question, "How much owest thou thy Lord?" and would urge that it be answered in view of judgment and eternity, when every man shall give account of his stewardship. We submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Pastor of each church is requested by this body to hold the monthly concert of prayer for the spread of the gospel, and to open a monthly subscription for missionary purposes, and that each member of his church be requested to become a subscriber.

Resolved, That each Pastor be requested to secure a subscriber to the Home and Foreign Journal, in *each* family of his *church* and *congregation*.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. FORY, *Chairman*.

D.

Wake Forest College.

The Committee appointed to report on the state and prospects of Wake Forest College, beg leave to report:

That this excellent Institution is still in a highly prosperous and flourishing condition, under the care of its able and faithful Faculty of Instruction. The number of pupils is increasing, and at the last Commencement, the examination and exercises gave increased evidence that this College would speedily rank among the best seminaries of learning in our own State. When we consider the fact, that some eighteen years only have elapsed since the establishment by our denomination of this school of learning, we must be allowed to express our gratitude to God, and our joy and hope to one another, at the cheering results of this noble christian enterprize. The foresight pious faith and zeal of the founders of Wake Forest College have been amply tested, and we can already demonstrate by public examples of merit and usefulness, in our churches at home, and in foreign lands; in professional and private life, that the best recommendation of this young mother is to be found in pointing you to her sons. During the past year, it was resolved, in dependence of the Great Head of the church, and the zeal of the churches, that this Institution should be permanently endowed in order that its benefits might be extended and perpetuated. From the recent reports of the Agent, we rejoice to learn, that the progress of the work of endowment has been truly soul cheering.

Above all, when we reflect, that this College has for the fifth time, during the period of its brief existence, enjoyed a powerful outpouring of the spirit of God, on its large and most interesting classes of pupils, we must delight to acknowledge these manifest seals of the Divine approbation. We are credibly informed, that every member of the Senior graduating class, and nearly all the Junior, and all the Sophomore class are now, it is believed, true converts to the truth as it is in our Lord Jesus Christ. O what a singular blessing is sanctified learning, gifts and grace united and consecrated to the glory of God, and the salvation of men! Give us the *souls* of our children imbued with the spirit of Christ, give us the minds of our youth purified by the light of the Holy Spirit and the gospel of life eternal, and let, who will, take the worldly honors, civil offices, and transitory distinctions of time!—"The fashion of this world passeth away." Who can properly estimate the value of the life-time of an educated youth, all whose talents are devoted to Christ? Who on earth can measure the lasting and spiritual benefits such a youth confers on his fellow men? What angel in heaven can conceive of the eternal reward of the youthful soldier of Christ, who enters on the career of glory and immortality in the very dew of youth, and the first dawning of manhood. None but the great Eternal can know the meaning of *eternal life!*

Your Committee close, by heartily commending to your fervent

prayers and steady support, this glorious and thriving offspring of your own faith and piety. They cannot restrain calling your attention to the signal indications of the blessing of Almighty God on all your educational enterprises. From the very era of our high aims as a denomination, to disseminate among our sons and daughters the seeds of useful and liberal knowledge, our whole progress has been upward and onward. God seems to have spoken to us saying, "This is the way, walk ye in it!" Educate! educate! educate! The church of Christ is enlarged—society, your country and humanity are doubly blessed—and God is thereby forever honored and glorified. WM. A. SHAW, *Chairman.*

E.

Report on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

Your Committee are again called upon to record the goodness of a kind Providence as manifested toward the Institution during the past Associational year. Spiritual blessings have been showered upon us in richest profusion, and furnish additional and most unequivocal evidence of the divine favor resting upon our holy enterprise. At the call of the Baptist church of Murfreesboro', the Rev. J. S. Reynoldson held a series of meetings in the place, and during the protracted effort, thirty-seven of the young ladies of the Institute professed in Christ, most of whom, we trust, are genuinely converted to God.—Such of these as are found suitable candidates, will be introduced into the church so soon as they have obtained permission from their friends.

The meetings were marked by quiet and freedom from undue excitement, and we cannot but hope that the results will be permanently beneficial. The christian friends of the Institute will rejoice to learn that there is among the students an increasing interest in the various benevolent organizations of the day. The monthly concert is regularly observed in the Seminary, and reports of the various missionary fields are prepared by the young ladies, and read before the Society for missionary inquiry.

The past year has been remarkable for the general healthfulness of the students. No one case of serious illness has occurred. The Committee with great pleasure bear testimony to the good order prevailing in the Institution, and the cheerfulness which has marked the compliance with the most stringent regulations.

The evils complained of in respect to extravagant expenditure have been entirely removed, and in this particular, we are not aware of any wilful violation of the laws of the Seminary. The number of teachers employed is nine. There have entered during the present session eighty-nine young ladies, a larger number than has at any previous time been in connection with the Institution. The Library and Cabinet have been enlarged, and important ad-

ditions are promised. The Music Department has been placed under the care of a gentleman teacher, assisted by three lady colleagues, and is now furnished with seven new and superior instruments, together with a large and valuable Organ.

It affords your Committee much pleasure to state that the new edifice is rapidly approaching completion, and will be ready for occupancy before the anniversary in August. This structure is in every respect adapted to the purpose for which it is designed, and will be an honor to the denomination and an ornament to the State. On entering it, the Institute will assume an entirely new aspect, and afford facilities and attractions no where surpassed in the South. The various departments will be more perfectly organized and additional Teachers employed.

The financial affairs of the Board are somewhat embarrassed in consequence of the recent reverses of the agricultural portion of the community, from whom our subscriptions were chiefly obtained. There is now needed a sum sufficient to finish the new edifice, and erect various out-buildings upon the premises.

It also affords your Committee much pleasure to state that there is an increasing interest in the Institute in Virginia as evinced in the liberal contributions, and the number and superior character of the students from that State. Your Committee would again earnestly solicit the co-operation of the friends of the Seminary in enlarging the Library and Cabinet.

Respectfully submitted, M. R. Fory, *Chm'n.*

F.

Report on Temperance.

Your Committee on Temperance would submit the following:

We are convinced from the history of the past, that shorter reports, and more vigorous and systematic action, in reference to the soul destroying vice of intemperance, will effect by far the greater amount of good. Since your last convocation, therefore, we have been trying to bestir ourselves steadily and vigorously. We are justified in saying that much, under God, has been affected. Many of the devil's slaughter pens (called by some *dram shops)* have abandoned their sinful practice, of dealing out poisonous fire; and some have even become extinct. In several of the churches, it is difficult to find a member, who even ventures to take his *dram.* These facts are truly consoling to a lover of Christ; but we must tell the *whole truth;* and what is it? Why there are some, even yet, in our churches, who make, and even sell the poisonous fluid, to get gain. Yes, for a few *dimes*, they become the main spring of enticing others to sin; and what is worse than all, these very *accommodating brethren* even "take a little themselves for

their stomach's sake, and their often infirmities;" although they are really in good health.

Your Commitee are more than ever convinced, that the shortest and best way of promoting the cause of Temperance, is to *practice* and *recommend Total Abstinence* in *all sorts* of *liquors that tend* to *drunkenness*.

During the year which has just closed, there has been more done by our ministry and pious membership, to stay the flood of intemperance, than has during any one year within our recollection. But this is but a tithe of what we could do, if *all* would take hold in good faith. Brethren, *we can*, *we must*, *we will*, *under God*, *do more*, to elevate the character of the churches in our bounds; and to bring the poor drunken sinner to a knowledge of himself, and to a knowledge of his God.

While christians have been engaged, we are glad to say, that, an order among us, called "Sons of Temperance", have been most actively and effectively at work. We love this order, because it is doing immense good. Several Divisions, during the past year, have been established within our bounds. Brethren, with the combined efforts of Christ's disciples and the "Sons of Temperance," much, very much, ought to be, and no doubt will be effected, in promoting the cause of God and of humanity, during the year, on which we are now entering. Come, who will help fight the monster intemperance? We ask prayerfully, we ask in love who will "come up to the help of the Lord," against the sin of using and dealing in, Alcoholic drinks as a beverage?

Action is what is needed. Action now. Ministers, raise your warning voices immediately. Deacons be at your post. Brethren one and all be active; act for God. Act now, and God will bless you.—In conclusion we earnestly recommend that each brother adopt before God the following resolution:—*Resolved*, That I will neither make, keep, buy, sell or drink as a beverage, any liquor of any kind, that tends to drunkenness. WM. P. BRITTON, JR., *Chairman*.

G.

Report on the State of Religion.

Your Committee on the State of Religion report, That through the correspondence from the churches composing this body, they are pleased to learn, and believe the cause of Christ is progressing within the bounds of this Association. Notwithstanding some of our churches complain of and lament the cold inactive state of Religion with themselves, others feel rejoiced for the gracious outpourings of the Spirit of God among them. So that many sinners were brought to the knowledge of the truth while many old saints' hearts were made to rejoice to see the work of the Lord prospering in their midst. Our hearts were gladdened to learn of the success and kind reception of our home missionary, and of the happy results of his labours within our bounds.

We are also rejoiced to see the spirit for Foreign Missions so universally prevailing among us, and a united effort is manifested to sustain a missionary in China. For the accomplishment of this great object, we recommend a more humble reliance upon the great Giver of all good, while we cultivate the spirit of love and union, in order for the successful accomplishment of this great end.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

H.

Report on the State Convention.

The Committee appointed at the last session of the Association on the Baptist State Convention, beg leave to submit the following as their report:

This body has been in existence twenty-two years. Your Committee regret that they have not had at command reliable data from which they could have given the aggregate and annual average of its operations during that period. They are gratified, however, in being able to state, that its different objects were never more successfully prosecuted than at present, never more extensively felt, nor never more signalized by the divine blessing. Much praise is due the officers and managers for the fidelity and efficiency with which they have discharged their respective duties. But when this is said, all is said. Your Committee, in common with others of our beloved Zion, were astounded at the announcement made at the last session, that the Convention was several hundred dollars in debt; and they have been still more surprised to see that the liberality of the brethren who generously assumed the debt, relying upon the churches to share with them the responsibility, has met with so feeble a response. Your Committee would call particular attention to the recent announcement made by our be-

loved brother Tobey, that up to the 1st of May but EIGHTEEN DOLLARS *had been received of the* ONE HUNDRED *assumed by him.* Brethren, these things ought not so to be. The Convention should be kept free of debt. We should sustain the Managers in their efforts to extend its operations and to make its influence more generally felt, by putting into their hands the necessary means. God has blessed us with wealth, and with facilities of accumulation to an almost indefinite extent; therefore we are the almoners of Jehovah's bounty. He has not given us wealth that we may consume it upon our lusts, that we may squander it in self-indulgence, but that we may "have to give to those who need," that we may use it to his glory.

Again; your Committee are of the opinion that the Convention should be made the centre and channel of our missionary operations. Our Associations should become auxilliary to the Convention, and report the funds expended for Domestic Missions, and contributed to Foreign Missions within their bounds. This would give them the right of representation in the Convention for every *Ten Dollars* thus reported, and it would also show the full amount of missionary operations throughout our State denominational limits. For want of such concentrated effort our missionary operations as reported by the Convention have exhibited scarce a moiety of what is doing in the Home Department in many of our Associations.

Your Committee would therefore respectfully recommend that this Association be an auxiliary to the Convention, and that all the monies received for either of the objects of the Convention be reported to the Treasurer of that body, as appropriated to these objects.

Your Committee would also urge a more liberal support of the Convention, as the duty of every member of this Association. Every delegate should come prepared with a well-filled purse to replenish the Lord's Treasury as may be necessary. Instead of cents, we should give dollars, and instead of one, two and three, there are hundreds among us that should give five, ten and twenty dollars. The New Testament rule is, "Give as the Lord hath prospered you;" and your Committee are of the opinion that a conscientious and scriptural application of this rule would realize to our missionary operations ten-fold more than has ever yet been appropriated. Instead of the annual complaint of an overdrawn treasury, and limited operations, we should hear of an unexpended balance, and a missionary occupying every accessible point in the State.

In conclusion, your Committee earnestly commend the three grand objects of the Convention, Home and Foreign Missions, and ministerial education, not only to the sympathies and prayers, but to the consciences and greatly enlarged contributions of the churches in this Association. And they venture to express the hope that they will hereafter realize in an increased measure the declaration of the church's Great Head, "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

All of which is respectfully submitted,

AARON JONES, JR., *Chairman.*

The Chowan Association to Sister Bodies Corresponding with Her.

Dear Brethren :—The expiration of another year brings us once more into council, and our churches are all represented save one.—Messengers from corresponding Associations have cheered our hearts by their presence, and we trust God has been spiritually present in our midst.

The good cause is onward in the Chowan Association, and our hearts have been made glad by the cheering intelligence contained in many of the letters of our churches. Near one thousand converts have been added to the fold since our last anniversary. Sunday Schools are multiplying: and the spirit of missions pervades the length and breadth of our bounds. But while we rejoice over these evidences of approbation at the hands of our Lord, he seems not to have put it into the heart of any one of his ministering servants to become the missionary of this body, in the China field. We have relied, no doubt, too much on ourselves, and too little on him who can alone perfect and bless our undertaking: hence the Lord of the harvest has withheld his laborer. While we stand arrested we will not repine. God has some wise purpose of his own to fulfil, and in confidence in his wisdom to provide, we will hold ourselves in readiness, determined to do our duty and leave the results with him.

Our Female Collegiate Institute in whom you are all interested by adoption, is in full operation, and is already diffusing some of the benefits anticipated in its origin. God has recently set his seal of approval upon the work by converting the souls of many connected with it. The new edifice will be completed in a few weeks, and the anniversary exercises in August next will no doubt take place within its walls.

Brethren this is a noble work in which we are all engaged, and thus far success has crowned our efforts in its behalf. To all of you who may not have visited this seat of learning, we *say come up, view* the establishment for yourselves, and give us your council in perfecting the work, for it is yours as well as ours. Let us by concert make it worthy of the Associations (its patrons) and worthy of the approval of our Lord and Master.

Our next session will be held with the church at Meherrin, near Murfreesboro', commencing Thursday before 3d Lord's day in May, 1853, at which place and time you are affectionately invited once more to meet us by letter and delegate.

Grace be with you. *Amen.*

Biographical Sketch of the late Geo. M. Thompson.

Died on the 27th of November, 1850, at the residence of Mr. Joseph Perkins in the county of Halifax, N. C., in the 48th year of his age, Rev. George M. Thompson, of Murfreesboro', N. C.

The subject of this short sketch was born in the city of London, England, on the 28th February, 1803, where he resided until 1815, when his parents were induced to leave the land of their nativity and seek a home on the shores of America. They landed in the city of New York, where his aged mother, one brother and three sisters still reside. From early religious instruction his mind was directed to the eternal interest of his soul while but a boy, and in the thirteenth year of his age, he connected himself with the Mulberry street Baptist church and was baptized by its Pastor, the Rev. Archibald Maclay.—In 1826, he moved South and located in Petersburg, Va. In 1828 he returned to New York and on the 17th of August, in the same year, license was granted him to preach the Gospel of Christ. On the 2nd of September, 1830, was ordained to the holy office of the ministry in the city of Richmond, Va., by a presbytery consisting of Rev's Luther Rice, John Kerr and Eli Ball, and soon after removed to Pasquotank county, N. C., and was called to serve the churches at Salem, E. City and Suffolk, Va.; in which capacity he continued about three years. He was married in Dec., 1831, to Mrs. M. Poole. (relict of S. P. Poole, Esq.) His labors with the churches in the county of Pasquotank were abundantly blessed. Leaving this field of labor and love, he entered into one more extensive in its demands for gospel truth. For four years, he travelled as Missionary for the Association in the destitute counties of Washington and Tyrrell; frequently leaving his family for months to labor for his master in this barren portion of our Association.

Following the directions of Providence, in 1838 he located his family in the county of Hertford and in '40 settled in the town of Murfreesboro', where the remainder of his days were spent in a quiet home, with his family who were so devotedly attached to him. The lips of those who knew him well, now love to rest in praise on his name. It was ever his purpose to proclaim the whole counsel of God, leaving the result with his master, glorying in nothing save the cross of Christ, mingling in every discourse thoughts truly evangelical. Immediately upon his removal across the Chowan River, he was called to the charge of the churches at Meherrin, Mt. Carmel and Potecasi, with the two former of which he was connected as Pastor until his death. During the last eight years of his life, he labored much in the county of Halifax, effecting much good in the Kehukee Association. In this field of labor, he was particularly blessed; the smiles of Heaven rested on his work, and he saw it prosper in the hands of the Lord. From the records left by Elder Thompson we learn that during his connection with the Chowan Association, he baptized within its bounds about eleven hundred souls, a rich reward for all his labors in his Master's vineyard. Few men have ever served in the gospel ministry in N. C., with more zeal than Elder Thompson, and but few have realized more fully the evidences of the attendance of the blessings of the Almighty. No man perhaps ever more accurately appreciated the want of an educated ministry in our State more than he. From the first conception of such an institution as Wake Forest he was one of its warmest supporters, and was one of its Trustees until his death. For the last fifteen years of his life, he was a regular attendant on the meetings of the Bap. State Convention, and at the time of his death was on his way to attend its session in Louisburg. But now his labor is ended. God has taken him to himself that he may receive a just reward for all his labors and toils in life. His private character was as pure and unblemished as his career in the ministry was eminently useful. Amiable in disposition, kind and affable, he was an object of deep attachment for his family and his dearest friends. There was no sacrifice he was not prepared to make for the comfort of others. To do good, relieve the afflicted, to dispense the comforts of life to the needy was his great delight. But he is gone. His voice so long heard in our midst is stilled forever. His spirit has left its tenement of clay and God has taken it to himself.

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

MEHERRIN, HERTFORD COUNTY, N. C.,

May 12---15, 1853.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

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Proceedings.

MEHERRIN CHURCH, Hertford County, N. C.,
Thursday, May 12, 1853.

The introductory discourse was delivered by Elder Wingate, instead of Elder Trotman appointed to that service, but declined on account of indisposition; it was an able expose of the causes of the success of primitive christianity, with a practical application to christians of the present day; founded on Acts ii. 44, 45 and 46 verses.

After a short intermission the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder W. H. Jordan.

Elder G. W. Johnson and brother W. D. Pritchard were appointed Assistant Clerks.

The list of names being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren in the ministry were invited to take seats; and the following were recognized, viz:—Elders W. H. Jordan, Farquharson, Wingate, Bedford, Jno. B. White, and brother Perkinson. Elder R. W. Delbridge was accredited as a corresponding delegate from the Concord Association—Elder J. J. Lansdell from the Pamlico Association—Elders Creath, Reynoldson, Murfree and brethren Prince May and Ryland from the Portsmouth Association.

Brethren J. L. Terrill, J. S. Mitchell and Wm. Bembury were appointed a committee on the expediency of ordaining the candidate for ordination.

The pastor and deacons of this church and of the church in Murfreesboro were requested to supply the pulpit.

Association adjourned. Prayer by President White.

Elder William H. Jordan preached at candle-lighting in the Baptist church and Elder Lansdell in the Methodist church in Murfreesboro.

FRIDAY, May 13, 1853.

Association met at 9 a. m. according to adjournment. Brother W.

W. Mitchell was chosen Moderator pro tem. Prayer by Elder Delk. Roll was called.

Elder Trotman and brother Askew were requested to prepare a biographical notice of the late Elder William P. Britton deceased.—Committee on Home Missions reported; report received and committee discharged See Appendix Letter A. The amount of the deficiency of salary $103 82 due the missionaries was immediately raised.

Elders Land, Trotman and Howell were appointed a committee to recommend some systematic method of contributing to the benevolent objects contemplated by us, for the adoption of the churches.

Standing committee on Home Missions on East side of the Chowan are Elder Trotman, brethren Skinner and Morgan; on West side Elder Spivey, brethren J. S. Tayloe and W. W. Mitchell.

The Association took a recess of one hour for dinner. On reassembling, the committee made the following

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Amount in Treasury,.....		$97 26
Present Contributions,.....		90 00
		$187 26
CONTRA.		
Printing Minutes of 1852,.....	$66 00	
Transcribing,.....	25 00.....	91 00
Balance in Treasury,.....		$96 26

A. J. PERRY, Chairman.

The standing Moderator resumed his seat.

Committee on expediency of ordaining candidate sent up from the church at Republican reported favorably. Ordered that the ordination take place at 10 a. m. to-morrow. Elders Delk, Trotman and Johnson, were appointed the ordaining presbytery.

Committee on the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported; Report received and committee discharged.

After which cards were circulated in aid of the Institute, and about twelve hundred dollars were subscribed.

The following committees were then announced:

On Wake Forest College—Wingate, Manning, and J. W. Barnes.

On Publications—G. W. Johnson, Etheridge, and J. Bunch.

On State of Religion—Bradford, Waff, and R. Simpson.

On Book Depository—Spivey, Land, L. T. Spiers, and Wheeler.

On Foreign Missions—Forbes and Webb.

The Committee on the Chowan Male Institute was called on to report; they submitted a verbal statement, and the Association sanctioned the acts of the Trustees at a meeting held the 23d of April last at Piney Grove, in electing the following persons members of the board—viz: Jno. Willey, Dr. Wm. H. Lee, J. D. Goodman, Edward Howell, R. H. Land, and E. D. B. Howell.

The summit of the rising ground nearly in front of the church at Piney Grove, is selected as the location of the Institute.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix letter B.

Elder Leary preached in the grove to-day at 11 a. m.

Association adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow; prayer by Elder Lansdell.

SATURDAY, May 14, 1853.

Association met at 9 a. m.; prayer by Elder Farquharson. Roll was called.

Church at Watery Swamp petitioned that her name appear on our minutes as Lebanon; it was so ordered.

Committee on W. F. College reported; report received and committee discharged. See letter C. in appendix. During the discussion, steps were taken to erect two scholarships in the college of $500 each.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be held with the church at Bethel, to commence on Thursday before the third Lord's day in May, 1854. Elder A. J. Spivey to preach the Introductory sermon, and Elder Nowell to be the alternate.

Trustees of Chowan Female Collegiate Institute were allowed to append the circular of the Institute to the minutes.

The Clerk and Elder Spivey were instructed to prepare a biographical notice of the late Elder Jas. Ross, deceased.

Elders Land, Bradford and Howell, were delegated to represent us in the Portsmouth Association.

Elders Spivey, Speight and Etheridge, to the Pamplico Association.

Elders Fory, Waff and Trotman, to the Union Association.

Elders Harrell, Webb, and Bro. J. Bunch, jr., to the Tar River Association.

Committee on State of Religion reported; report received and committee discharged. See letter D. in appendix.

Resolved, That we highly approve the Biblical Recorder published at Raleigh, and earnestly recommend it to the patronage of our brethren; and that each minister make increased effort to promote its circulation.

Association took a recess of one hour for dinner.

The order of the Association recommending churches to send up candidates for ordination to this body be rescinded ; and the action yesterday in reference to the ordination &c. of the candidate sent from the church at Republican be set aside.

Committee on Foreign Missions called on to report—Report received and committee discharged.

Ninety-seven dollars 90c. were paid, to be deposited in the Treasury of the Southern Baptist Convention, to the credit of this Association, by the following churches :—Bethlehem $15.00 ; Cashie $20.00 ; Cool Spring $15.00 ; Piney Grove $5.62 ; Murfreesboro $25.00 ; Republican $10.00 ; Shady Grove $7.28.

Committee on Depository reported—Report received and committee discharged. See appendix letter E.

Committee on Systematic Contributions report at next Association.

Elder Bradford preached at 3 o'clock P. M.

President White preached in the village in the Baptist church at candle light, and Elder Bradford in the Methodist church.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the church and citizens of this vicinity for the generous hospitality with which they have entertained the Association at this session.

Resolved, That heartfelt thanks be offered to God for the union, peace and harmony that has pervaded this body during the present session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be presented to Elder Reynoldson for the faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of the agency of the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

The Clerk was instructed to have 2500 copies of the minutes printed and distributed.

On motion, the Association then adjourned. Prayer by Elder Spivey.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*.

LORD'S DAY, May 15, 1853.

This was a pleasant day. Large congregations were in attendance at the church and grove. Elders Wingate and Johnson preached at the church, and Elders Jordan and Lansdell at the grove. A collection of $37.53 was taken up for the N. C. Baptist State Convention. May the Lord bless the labors of this body and the word dispensed by His servants to the promotion of His cause on earth. Amen.

List of Elders or Bishops in the Chowan Association.

1 S Bazemore, Windsor.
2 Abner Berry, South West.
3 E A Best, Edenton.
4 Geo Bradford, do.
5 Andrew M Craig, Hotel.
6 M Corbell, Powell's Point.
7 James Delk, Pitch Landing.
8 D V Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge.
9 Evan Forbes, Camden C H.
10 M R Fory, Murfreesboro.
11 Everett Hancock, Hotel.
12 David Harrell, Windsor.
13 Wm H Hardee, Jackson.
14 Thomas Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
15 Jno N Hoggard, Windsor.
16 Edward Howell, Factory Hill, Va.
17 M W Jones, South Mills.
18 Pritchard Jordan, Elizabeth City.
19 G W Johnson, "
20 West Leary, Edenton.
21 Moses L Mizzles, Windsor.
22 Jas Nash, Camden C H.
23 B Nixon, Edenton.
24 Jno Nowell, Colerain.
25 L Sanderlin, Shingle Landing.
26 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
27 A J Spivey, Windsor.
28 J D Stokely, South Mills.
29 Q H Trotman, Mintonsville.
30 A Twine, Elizabeth City.
31 Thos Waff, Edenton.
32 Henry White, Merry Hill.
33 H J White, St Johns.
34 Jno B Webb, Edenton.

List of Licentiates.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
2 Wells Briggs, Mintonsville.
3 Jeremiah Bunch, Jr., Windsor.
4 Willie Dunning, Roxabel.
5 J M Goodwin, Hertford.
6 R Lassiter, Edenton.
7 Jno P Lee, Somerton, Va.
8 Ira A Odom, Pitch Landing.
9 E Pierce, Windsor.
10 Thos Pittman, Berlin, Va.
11 Abram Pruden, Gatesville.
12 J J Rochelle, Murfreesboro.
13 Exum Stephenson, Jackson.
14 B B Williams, Colerain.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dism'd by letter.	Excommu'cated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Funds.	Days of meeting	Sunday Schools.	Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	Vols. in library.
Ahoskie,	J S Godwin, A J Askew, W W Mitchell,	1	3	1	8	4	4	340	110	450	3 00	4				
Ballard's Bridge,	D V Etheridge, R D Simpson, S Simpson,	2	4	2	14	7	8	410	100	510	4 00	2	3	19	154	265
Bethel,	C W Skinner, R Felton, William Felton,	3			2	5	11	279	34	313	3 00	3				
Bethlehem,	J Delk, T Hoggard, W J Perry,	4	3		1	4	2	148	52	200	3 00	2				
Buckhorn,	T D Vann, J R Darden, J W Barnes,				1			68	34	102	2 00	2				
Capeheart's,	J N Hoggard, W F McGlauhon,* H H Williams,	11		3	10	2	2	263	105	368	2 00	2				
Cashie,	A J Spivey, D Harrell,* William Folk,	35	4	1	5	5	9	225	165	390	3 00	1				
Coleraine,	Jno Nowell, E Wilson, *Benj. B. Williams*,	67	3	2	3	4	7	386	231	617	3 00	3				
Connaritsa,	E Hancock, *W Dunning*, H J White,	15	2	1	6	7	8	224	55	279	2 50	3				
Cool Spring,	*T Pittman*, H Carter, W H Cross,					2	1	228	23	251	2 00	1				
Ebenezer,	J N Overton, C G Spence,	8				5	3	47	33	80	1 00	4				
Edenton,	M Webb, E A Best, C G Manning,	21	4	4	4	1	5	75	200	275	2 00		1	9	40	200
Elizabeth City,	G W Johnson, R Simpson, J Harriss,	30	4		7	3	8	298	24	322	2 50	all	3	47	235	74
Great Fork,	I Rogers, I S Pierce, A R Collins,*	8				1	4	151	24	175	1 50	3				
Holly Grove,	J S Mitchell, W H Mitchell, I P Freeman,	2				2	1	75	25	100	1 00	1				
Macedonia,	J Floyd, T Eshion, W H Bonner,	5		1		1	1	63	5	68	1 00	3				
Meherrin,	L Parker, Elisha Vaughn, Elijah Vaughn,	3	1	1	5	2	1	187	92	279	3 00	1&3	2	65	21	225
Middle Swamp,	H Speight, S Rountree, W Matthews,*	5	1	1	2	1	1	115	121	236	1 50	2	1	6	35	
Mt. Carmel,	K Stephenson, G Stancil, C Whitehead,	28	1	1	2	2	10	264	96	360	2 50		1	8	40	

Mount Tabor,	W Dunning, J Gatling, Henry Griffith,	16	2		7		7	138	41	179	3 00	4					
Murfreesboro,'	M R Fory, R H Land, W E Pool,	14	7		5			56	4	60	3 00	2& 4	1	8	53	150	
Piney Grove,	E Howell, J D Goodman, E D B Howell,		2		4		5	88	64	152	2 50	4					
Pleasant Grove,	G C Moore, J Perry, Saml Maget,	7			4	1	1	69	23	92	2 50	1				173	
Pleasant Plains,	J A Mizzles, H Modlin,	46	5			1				108	1 00	1					
Potecasi,	L F Smith, N Blanchard, H C Edwards,	11	4		3	5		230	47	277	2 00	2					
Powell's Point,	B Gallup,* L Murrell,* R S Dashield,*	29		2				41	9	50	1 00	4					
Providence,	G L Brockett,* J Dey, T Williams,*				1	2		79		79	1 50	3					
Ramoth Gilead,	S Williams, A McPheson, G S Jones,	5	2	1	2	6	6	76	94	170	2 00	1					
Republican,	S Bazemore, *J Bunch*, W H Bunch,	27	1	2	1	1	3	144	41	185	2 00	2&4					
Roanoke Island,	A Twine, J B Twine,* L Mann,*	12				1	3	144	37	181	1 00	1					
Robert's Chapel,	J Baugham, W Boon, J Atkinson,	46	1		17	1	2	126	45	171	2 50	1&3	1	4	35	100	
Rocky Hock,	J B Webb, R R Felton, H Bass,*		2	7	5	2	3	159	9	168	1 50	1	1	7	48	200	
Ross' M H,	W J Mitchell,* *I Odom*, A J Morriss,				1	7	2	292	52	344	2 50	4					
Salem,	B Berry A Hollowell, S Pendleton,	24		2		2	1	71	5	76	1 50	2					
Sandy Cross,	Q H Trotman, W Stallings, W H Manning*	4		4	2	11		255	38	293	3 00	1					
Sandy Run,	A M Craig, W S Brown, J A Tyler,	16	2	2	5	2		90	124	214	2 00	4					
Sawyer's Creek,	E Forbes, F B Grandy, C W Grandy,	6	4			4	8	187	35	222	3 00	1				125	
Shady Grove,	L Sanderlin, S G Mitchell,* B Walker,*	2			2	1	3	91	1	92	1 50	2	1	12	75	283	
Shiloh,	S *W* Sawyer, T B Berry,* S *W*illiams,*				1		6	272	67	339	3 00	1					
Vasser's M H,	*W* Carstarphen, *W* Stephenson, J Barham,	2						44	27	71	1 00	2					
†Wat'ry Swamp	R Cross,* J Overman,* *W W* Speight,	5	3			1		32		32	1 00	4					
Whitev'e Grove,	*W* D Riddick, *W* C Simpson, J R *W*hite,	28	1		4			49	2	51	1 50	2					
Yoppim,	T *W*aff, *W* Benbury, J L Ferrill,	5	5			1	4	95	5	100	1 50	2&4	1	6	25	100	
	Ordained ministers in small capitals, Licentiates in *Italics*, * Absent, † Name changed to Lebanon.	553	71	38	134	107	140	6674	2299	9031	90 50		16	191	761	1895	

Appendix.

A.

Report of the Home Missionary Committee for the Chowan Association.

The committee to whom was referred the superintendence of Missionary operations within your bounds during the last Associational year, ask leave to submit the following as their report:

We regarded the action of the Association as confining us in our operations within our own limits, and being thus confined we felt that each destitute portion of the Association had an equal claim upon our attention. But owing to the scarcity of laborers, but more especially the scarcity of funds for their support, we have been unable to do but little compared with what might have been done under more favorable circumstances; but when we speak of the scarcity of laborers we do not wish to be understood as saying that we have not enough ordained ministers within our bounds to supply all the destitution of which we complain; so far from it we say we have enough and to spare; *but what are they doing?* Ah, here starts a question in our own mind that we can't answer. Brethren profess to be called of God to preach the gospel, *and the churches* of which they are members say that those brethren have been called of God to preach, by sending them to the Association for ordination, and then refusing to receive them as their pastor, thereby saying by their refusal that the brother is not called to preach, thus contradicting the former declaration; or if called, has not been called to preach to them, but may do for somebody else. If such churches be under the influence of God's Holy Spirit, and by its teachings are convinced that such brethren are not called to preach to them, of course by the assistance of the same divine agent, they can determine what churches such brethren have been called to preach for. Therefore they ought to send them to such places and ought to feel naturally bound to provide wages and means for their support, and when we speak of the scarcity of funds we do not wish to be understood as saying that our Association has not the means of keeping every minister within our bounds constantly employed in preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. So far from it her means are ample, and if but a *tythe* of what you have was appropriated to the support of the ministry (and there is no duty more clearly enjoined in the Scripture,) our ministering brethren would have an opportunity of making such improve-

ment that we should no longer hear the complaint of an inefficient ministry, but we should have workmen of which we should not be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth. And then when a church sent a licensed brother to the Association asking for his ordination, she would give as her reason for making that request, we want the brother to become our pastor. This would supercede the painful necessity of appointing committees to enquire into the expediency of such brethren's ordination, and then each church would have her pastor to preach for them every Lord's day, and during the week he could be making the improvement of which we spoke a little ago, and could be actively and profitably employed in visiting the different members of his church, and thus keep the flame of brotherly love burning upon the altar of each heart. But as matters now stand, our missionaries instead of going to places where Christ has not been preached, or where the whole truth has not been preached (and this is done only by the Baptists) are the most of their time employed in building up old churches that have almost gone down for the want of that organization for which we have plead. Dear brethren, we ask you in the name of our crucified and risen Savior if we are not responsible to the extent of our ability. Does not our Savior say you are the salt of the earth, the light of the world, you are as a city set on a hill which cannot be hid? Does not God design through the instrumentality of *his church* to convert the world? When we speak of the church of Christ, we allude to that christian organization set up by divine appointment composed of individuals who have repented of their sins, believed in Jesus Christ to the saving of their souls, and have been immersed into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, thereby confessing their faith in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. This is the church of Christ, *and any thing short of this* is not the church of Jesus Christ, but is of human origin and carries with them the seeds of destruction both of civil and religious liberty. You therefore see that our responsibility beggars human description. Let us then be up and doing for the time is short in which we have these things to do. We have since your last Association had three missionaries in the field. Elders Twine and Etheridge in the county of Currituck, and Elder John B. Webb in the county of Northampton, and their labours have not been in vain in the Lord. The people to whom they have preached have received them kindly, and several have received with meekness the word of life, and are now rejoicing in hope of a blessed immortality. In view of what has been done, we have great cause to thank God and take courage.

Your committee not being instructed as to what they were to give, took the liberty of promising our missionaries one dollar per day, besides their reasonable expenses. Below you will see the amount of labor performed, the number that has been baptized, the amounts they have received in their fields of operation, also the amount still due them by the Association. Brother Webb has been engaged in the field 126 days, during which time he travelled 1593 miles, preached 76 sermons,

delivered 17 exhortations, immersed 11 persons and obtained 10 new subscribers for the Recorder, has received $33 50, leaving a balance due him of $94 50. Brother Twine has been engaged 224 days, has travelled 1854 miles, preached 125 sermons, delivered — exhortations, immersed 20 persons, received $11 98, expenses $31 35, leaving a balance due him of $243 37. Brother Etheridge has been engaged 71 days, has travelled 1127 miles, preached 59 sermons, delivered — exhortations, immersed 19, received $14 84, expenses $10 29, leaving a balance due him of $66 45.

The aggregate of our indebtedness is $403 82. All of which is respectfully submitted BY THE COMMITTEE.

Collections for Home Missions.

Yoppim	$12 00	Holly Grove	8 00
Ballard's Bridge	15 00	Bethlehem	10 00
Great Fork	4 00	Vasser's	6 00
Macedonia	18 58	Sandy Run	10 00
Meherrin	10 00	Edenton church	8 00
Mt. Carmel	15 00	J. Reynoldson	5 00
Mt. Tabor	15 00	M. R. Fory	10 00
Pleasant Grove	5 25	Bethlehem	5 00
Potecasi	5 00	E. Hancock	3 00
Ramoth Gillead	12 00	J. Rogers	1 00
Republican	12 00	Buckhorn	2 00
Rocky Hock	12 00	Mount Tabor	2 00
Sandy Cross	15 00	William Boon	2 00
Shady Grove	5 00	Sandy Cross	2 00
Whiteville Grove	10 00	Bethel	2 00
Bethel	15 00	Sawyer's Creek	2 00
Colerain	15 00	James Atkinson	1 00
Ahoskie	15 00	R. Simpson	1 00
Sawyer's Creek	15 00	J. O. Pierce	25
Piney Grove	15 00	Jos. A. Mizzle	1 00
Buckhorn	12 00	Ira A. Odom	1 00
Cashie	15 00	Potecasi	3 00
Elizabeth City	16 00	Isaac Baum	1 00
Connaritsa	12 00	A. J. Perry and	
Salem	5 00	Dr. G. C. Moore	10 00
Cool Spring	5 00	Collection	11 65
Ebenezer	5 00		
		Total	$418 73

B.

Report on Sunday Schools.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Sunday Schools beg leave to report:

Your Committee is well aware of the importance of Sunday Schools in all of our churches, and feel their utter inability of doing the subject justice; but will endeavor to spend a few thoughts on so important a matter. Sunday Schools are the nurseries of youthful piety where are laid the solid foundation of elevated character and useful citizenship. It is the rarest thing to find in any community a bad man who received in childhood faithful and systematic Sunday School instruction. The impression made upon the unstained tablet of a child's intellect are as permanent as the immortal essence that received them. If this be the fact, then how important it is that we rivet upon the minds of our youth the benefit of religious instruction. This is one of the objects and not the least of our Sunday School system. It labours in view of the salvation of the soul. This of course includes if unconverted his conversion. If converted the highest degree of moral elevation that the appliances in use can furnish, in a word his happiness and usefulness both as a man and a Christian in this world and the world to come. It is not pretended that every pulpit or every teacher looks to results so high and glorious, but the institution itself does. This is its tendency and its design. All other objects is of minor importance compared with this. This is the greatest work of all in which our hearts and hands ever engaged. We have Missionary societies and Bible societies and Temperance societies and Sunday School societies, all of which is as so many streams making unto the fountain head of all knowledge, in order that the instructed might be properly trained and brought up in the knowledgde of God.

We appeal in our report to the ministry. You have felt the influence of Sunday Schools in your churches as a preparatory work to the success of preaching the gospel. You have heard the Sabbath School pupil date their first convictions from the influence of Sabbath School training. Dear brethren, excuse us when we appeal to you. This is your most promising field of labor and effort, your Lord's day labor.—It is evident that Sunday Schools next to the pulpit have done more to effect the religious observance of the Lord's day than all other instrumentalities combined, and yet in view of all these advantages, our efforts have been weak, feeble and few to promote such a good cause.—Dear brethren, such things ought not so to be. Reports have been read before the Association favoring the good cause year after year. We hear them read with pleasure and delight, and highly approve of them, but our hands can find nothing to do in this work. We rejoice however that many of our churches, have Sunday Schools already adopted, and we hope many more will follow. Your committee is well aware of the sad neglect of many of our churches in regard to this matter.—

Therefore, *Resolved*, That we highly recommend to our churches the adoption of Sunday Schools. All of which is respectfully submitted.

C.

Report on Wake Forest College.

WHEREAS, It is the declared intention of the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College, having recently passed thro' the probation of a long and grievous debt to endow the same, in order to increase their facilities for general and ministerial education, and to augment the number of their Professors, and further to enlarge their system of education, so as to comprehend the Natural Sciences, such as Agricultural Chemistry, &c. And since the more speedily to accomplish this they propose a plan of scholarships to individuals and churches which must return with its advantages to the denomination and to those taking the same. Therefore,

Resolved, That we heartily sympathize with the Board in this their effort to give us a well-endowed, well appointed College with all the means and appliances for a sound, collegiate education, and above all hazardous contingencies.

Resolved, further, That we recommend their Agent to the favorable regard of the churches composing this Association, and especially his effort to obtain scholarships in the same.

W. M. WINGATE, *Chairman*.

D.

Report on the State of Religion.

The committee on the spiritual condition of the churches submit the following report:

From all the information in their possession, they are compelled to state, (in their opinion) that the past year has been one of barrenness and inefficiency, in a majority of the churches composing this Association. Judging from the communications conveyed through the letters, but few of the churches have been visited with the divine blessing: clearly indicating, the deplorable truth, that worldly mindedness and indifference have too much characterized the past. The committee would suggest to those professing love to Christ, the importance of self-examination and fervent supplication to God, for the influence of his Spirit, that we may discover the causes hindering the prosperity of Zion; and that the future may be attended with more abundant blessings from the great head of the church.

E.

Report on the Depository.

At your last Association a board was appointed for the purpose of establishing and conducting in Murfreesboro a religious Book Depository. I am happy to state that the chairman of that Board has already purchased books to the amount of about $500. He has a good assortment of religious books for the libraries of ministers, private members of the church, and for Sabbath Schools. You can, therefore, within the limits of your own Association replenish your libraries with standard religious books.

Does it need any argument to show the importance of such an establishment? Need we say that a depository of religious books is a moral arsenal from which members of the church may supply themselves with that weapon which is mighty to the pulling down of strong holds? Need we say that the circulation of a religious literature is a great remedy for a diseased and distempered imagination? Need we say that a good book when read is ever a silent witness for the truth? I know not how we have been able so long to dispense with this most important means of extending our influence. How we are to continue to dispense with it, is a question of still more difficult solution.

With our present system of monthly preaching, it is impossible for the members of the churches to be thoroughly instructed in their religious duties, unless they apply themselves to reading. It may be asked by some, why do we want so many books while we have the Bible.—Far be it from us to recommend any thing which may cause you to neglect the Bible. Indeed, all religious books are valued in proportion to the amount of biblical truth which they contain. What are the sermons of ministers but the result of reflections on religious truths? These religious books are nothing less than sermons embodied in a more durable form.

Your committee are anxious to see the period arrive when each church in this Association will have a circulating library for the use of its members, and the members of its congregation. We have no hesitancy in saying that the establishment of such libraries would be of vast benefit to the churches and the persons contiguous.

The immediate establishment of an active system of colportage in this Association is imperatively demanded. Many of our Associations have commenced such enterprises, and I am yet to learn that they have accomplished no good when energetically prosecuted. We profess to have the truth; let our zeal be manifested in the active display of that truth.

Permit your committee to offer the following recommendations:—

1. That the board of the Depository be authorized to employ a colporteur immediately to labor in this Association.

2. That the pastors of our churches be requested during the month of June to explain this subject to their congregations, and to circulate

subscriptions or take up public collection or both, to pay the salary of the colporteur and other expenses, &c., and that our Clerk through the Biblical Recorder request our brethren who are absent to do the same

3. That the board devise some means by which our missionaries may be supplied with these books for sale in their respective fields of labor. Respectfully submitted.

Report on the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

Your committee are again permitted to rejoice in the retrospect of the past Associational year.

At no timeduring its existence have the changes in the character of the Institutio been so marked, or, attended with such important re-results. The completion of the new edifice has established iton a firmer basis, and given it an honorable place among the best institutions of the age.

Valuable additions have been made to the educational facilities of the different departments, and others are soon to be furnished. The number of students now in daily attendance is one hundred and thirty. About fifty of these is from Virginia. There are twelve Teachers and one assistant daily employed.

With a few exceptions, the deportment of the young ladies has been commendable. The very stringent regulations respecting visits abroad, and making purchases, have not, in any known case, been violated.—The Music Department includes five teachers—one gentlemen and four ladies, and eighty-five students. There are in constant use nine Pianos of superior character. It affords your committee peculiar pleasure to state that our brethren of Va. have given the most unequivocal evidence of a friendly interest in our important work. One church alone, having several of its members in the Institute, has contributed more than one thousand dollars.

Your commmittee would submit the question, whether such liberality should not provoke our Carolina churches to like good works. The Institute located in their own State, is invested with a *local* interest, in addition to that growing out of its denominational character. From its rapid growth, both the educational and domestic departments require more ample accommodations, and serious injury must result if they be not *immediately* furnished. Your committee would most earnestly urge, that the necessary preparation be at once made for the accomplishment of this object.

In closing this report, we would most gratefully acknowledge above all other blessings, the spiritual mercies received. Again have we been favored with a gracious visitation of the Holy Spirit. Within the last

few weeks, seventeen students have indulged hope, most of whom, we trust, are radically changed.

Your committee would again request the co-operation of the churches in enlarging the Library and Cabinet.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. FORY, *Chairman.*

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTICE.

When the aged civilian or divine whose lives have been spent in the service of their country and their God, are called from among us to receive the reward for their labor, our heads are bowed in humble submission to the will of our divine master, although with seeming reluctance, yet without a murmur—for we feel that the recompense of an eternal rest should quickly follow those who have lived to a ripe old age in the discharge of every duty; having worn out its corporeal tenement the soul wings its way to move in another, brighter and better world. "Unto all it is appointed once to die and then the judgment." We mourn such a loss—but the measure of his earthly glory was full, and he has risen to receive the crown that never fades. Not so with him whose life, as seemed to our blinded eyes, was not matured for the grave—who in the prime of manhood and full career of usefulness, with all promise for the future, and energy, ability and ambition to do good for the present, is snatched as it were with lightning haste from us—we cannot Oh God! but repine and mourn as though we had no comforter—this is the part of simple human nature, and we pray our God to be pardoned the offence. We can but mourn whilst we praise and give thanks to him who has lifted the chastening rod for "whom he loveth he chasteneth."

In the death of our beloved brother, the Rev. Wm. P. Britton, we realize in full force all the intensity of feeling we have endeavored to describe. He was as good and as free from fault as is possible for poor human nature, a warm-hearted friend, an actively benevolent, sincerely pious and devoted christian. He had enlisted with all his soul in the cause of his heavenly master—there was none more zealous than he. Full of energy, ambitious to outstrip in usefulness, possessed of a high grade of intellect, with an industry that knew not how to relax, he was rapidly advancing to the first rank in his profession. In him there was no eagerness for display; to convince and convert was his highest aim. His love for the cause of truth led him to cast aside every obstacle.

We need not speak of his attachment to his family—he was the devoted and affectionate husband, father, son and brother. Those that knew him *felt* that he was a *friend.*

He was born in Hertford county of this State, in the neighborhood of Pitch Landing, on the 22d day day of September, 1821—died November 25th, 1852, in the 33d year of her age.

Owing to the limited means of his parents, his opportunities for acquiring an education were very indifferent. It was not till the year 1843 that he had any advantages of consequence whatever, having then entered an academy of respectable standing where he continued for one session only—previous to which time he had been to common country schools not more than two or three months. It was to himself alone he owed what he was. Gifted with strong native intellect and invincible industry, he overcame difficulties which would have disheartened and crushed an ordinary mind. One obstacle overcome was only the signal to oppose another.

He was ever remarkable for respectful demeanor and commendable deportment in all his relations though it was not until August, 1842, that his mind was directed to the eternal interests of his soul. He professed a hope in Christ under the ministry of Rev. Thomas Hoggard, and was baptized by him on the 21st day of August, 1842, together with his brother and aged father and mother. He was engaged for a short while in teaching school, but the church at Bethlehem with which he had connected himself, seeing what a mine of usefulness was in their midst, earnestly requested him to exercise the talent he possessed in the service of his Lord and Master. He was accordingly sent up from that church to the Association setting with the church at Mt. Tabor for ordination, and was there ordained in May, 1846. He was soon called to serve the churches at Potecasi, Meherrin, Mt. Carmel, Robert's Chapel, and Bethlehem. His style of preaching was peculiarly adapted to winning over souls to the cause of Christ. He was eminently persuasive, argumentative and vehement. In discussion he evinced considerable tact and readiness. The debate between him and Elder Arnold of the Methodist Ep. Church at Robert's Chapel will long be recollected with pleasure by many who were fortunate enough to be present. His services were highly blessed—in the hand of the Lord they produced much fruit—Heaven smiled upon his work. His voice that so often sounded the news of glad tidings yet rings in our ears, and though we have learned to number him with the dead, it seems to us that "he only sleepeth." We had predicted him a long career of distinguished usefulness, but it has pleased our Heavenly Master to take him unto himself. Praise be to his holy name!

Biographical Sketch of the late Elder James Ross, deceased.

But little is known of the early life of Elder Ross: indeed the materials for a sketch of his life, placed in the hands of the writer have been of a very limited charater. The solemn announcement that, that venerable man, Elder James Ross is no more, should cause us to pause and reflect. The judgements, as well as the mercies of God, should lead us to ponder our ways, and look wisely to our latter end.

When the venerable oak beneath whose wide-spreading arms we have spent the happy days of childhood, is stricken by lightnings of heaven, or prostrated by the raging tempest, we view the fallen memento of of our happier days with emotions of sorrow and regret. Busy memory runs rapidly back, to those scenes of youthful pleasure, we have so often enjoyed beneath the shade of that aged tree, we loved so well.—But how is that sorrow and regret heightened, when we stand by the mortal remains of one whom we have long known, as a friend, and esteemed as the guide of the flock of Christ. He is gone. Of a tree there is hope, "the tender branch thereof may sprout again," but "man dieth, yea man goeth to his long home," and we shall see him no more until we meet in the world of spirits. The grave hides from our view the venerable servant of God, on whose head the frosts of more than four score winters have shed their chilling influence, and at the same time covers the manly form of the youth, whose warm heart beat responsively to the calls of duty. No age is exempt from the approach of death.

> "Leaves have their time to fall
> And flowers to wither at the northwind's breath,
> And stars to set—but all
> Thou hast all seasons for thine own, oh death."

But death comes to the christian as a friend. The idea of decay to the servant of Christ, suggests only, that of a state necessary to a transformation from corruption to incorruption, from degradation to glory, from earth to heaven.

Elder James Ross was the son of Wm. Ross, Esqr., a gentleman of Scottish ancestry. His father moved from Virginia, where the family settled on leaving Europe, and located South of Roanoke river, where Jas. Ross was born on the 19th of March, 1768, in the limits that now bound the county of Martin, which was not detached from the counties of Halifax and Fayette until 1774.

He was early led to consider the claims of religion, and in his eighteenth year was baptized by his brother, Elder Martin Ross, into the fellowship of the church at Skewacky near Williamston, Martin county. In 1798 he commenced preaching, and travelled into counties South of Roanoke and Tar rivers dispensing the word of life to listening multitudes.

Leaving Martin, Elder Ross was induced to settle in Bertie county,

where he lived, honored and esteemed by the good and virtuous until called away to his eternal reward. Elder Spivey, (to whom the writer is indebted for the few facts here named) writes "He (Elder Ross) was calm and resigned in the prospect of death, and but a short time prior to his death, expressed himself to me as having as great a desire to preach the gospel, as he ever had, although for years unable to preach from physical inability."

For some time, when too feeble to attend at the house of God, he would assemble his neighbors at his own residence and expound the truths of God's sacred word. But he is gone. The venerable patriarch no longer lives to point the way to heaven, through the cross of Christ. His virtues and his imperfections are now covered by the oblivious pall of the tomb. On the 6th of January, 1853, Elder James Ross breathed his last. Reader, pause—the same will soon be said, of you and me. And should long years be added to us, let

> "A life well spent, whose early care shall be,
> Our riper years will not upraid the green."

Then, may we gather up our feet in death without a fear but

> Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
> About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.
> We may smile, while those around us weep.

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The Institution is located in one of the most healthful sections of Eastern Carolina, and in a community distinguished for its moral character. It is established for holy purposes;—to discipline mind;—instrumentally, to sanctify mind; and then direct its strengthened energies. The *latter* are regarded as of paramount importance, as transcendent talent, without moral culture, produces only evil. That system of education, is, therefore, radically defective which neglects the heart. The true system contemplates a symmetrical development of *all* the faculties—physical, intellectual and moral—and has regard to the whole sum of our existence. Such a system we would have our own.

Course of Study.

The Institution is incorporated, and may be regarded as a permanent establishment, where young Ladies can complete the most extended course of studies. It is divided into three departments;—Primary, Academic and Collegiate. Pupils are not admitted to the Academic Department until after ten, nor to the Collegiate until fourteen years of age, except in extraordinary cases. The Collegiate Department includes a course of four years. Those completing the full course, receive a Diploma, bearing the seal of the Institute. In the work of instruction, *thoroughness* is regarded as of primary importance. The student is allowed to prosecute only a few studies at a time, and to advance no further than she can proceed intelligently; at every step evolving principles, and aiming at the cultivation of her reasoning powers. The solid branches receive the most attention. Ample provision, however, is made for the study of those of an ornamental character.

It will be seen that the various branches are so arranged that each study is preparatory to the next, and that ample time is given to them all. Written analyses of the subjects studied, are required daily. Three important objects are accomplished by this arrangement; the student improves her chirography, acquires greater facility in composition; and gains a more thorough knowledge of the subject studied.

The course is extensive, and it is so from the conviction that the age demands it. Woman is a centre of mighty influences. With her is, chiefly, the governing power. Her influence is felt in all the relations of life, and affects the character of the nation—affects the character of the world. Man moulds governments, but Woman moulds Man.

Partial Course, Incentives, &c.,

Those wishing to pursue a limited course, can select such studies as they may prefer.

Incentives to diligence are furnished rather from the moral relations of the individual, and the obligations growing out of them, than from appeals to ambition and the hope of reward. The object is, to make the Student feel her responsibility as a social aud rational being, endowed with the power of doing both good and evil, and that it is obligatory upon her to strengthen her

faculties as a means of *usefulness to others*, and of happiness to herself. A record of the recitations of each day is kept, and frequent reports of the standing of each Student made to her friends.

Apparatus.

The Institution is furnished with unusual educational facilities. The Astronomical, Chemical and Philosophical Apparatus is not surpassed by that of any Institution of learning in the State. The young Ladies are accustomed to use the instruments in performing illustrative experiments and thus acquire a more practical knowledge of the branches studied. Astronomic observations are frequently made by the Students with a superior Achromatic Telescope.

Library, Reading Room, and Cabinet.

The Institute has a Library of choice works, which, together with the Reading Room, containing periodicals from different sections of the country, furnishes at present, sufficient reading matter. The Cabinet of Minerals is being rapidly enlarged, and will soon afford all necessary facilities in the study of Geology and Mineralogy.

Music Department.

Music is taught both as a science and as an art. The Department is furnished with new and very superior instruments. Musical Soirees are held at regular intervals, at which all the advanced students of Music are required to perform. There is also a large and valuable Organ for daily chapel services.

Literary Society and Periodical.

Connected with the Seminary is a Literary Society, composed exclusively of the young ladies of the Institute. A bi-monthly Periodical is established and read at the regular meetings of the Society.

Scientific Lectures.

Extensive Courses of Lectures are delivered on the premises of the Institute, accompanied by numerous experimental illustrations.

Religious Exercises.

The Students are organized into Bible Classes, and are required to recite every Sabbath, either in the Institute, or, in one of the Sabbath Schools of the village churches. They are also required to attend Divine Service at such place as their Parents or Guardian may prefer. The daily exercises of the Institute are opened and closed with appropriate religious services.

Visitors are not received on the Sabbath, except in cases of illness of their friends.

Board of Instruction.

The advantages resulting from so large a Board of Instruction are important. By this expensive arrangement the pupils can be properly classified. The younger are not discouraged by an association with the older Students, while those more advanced are not retarded by being classed with Pupils just commencing their course. There is also a division of labor, and teachers

have time to prepare for their work. The most *thorough* instruction cannot be imparted where a Teacher is required to give attention to many different branches.

Government.

The Government is vested in the Principal and his colleagues in the Faculty. It is regarded as of primary importance that the student be induced to act from *principle* rather than from fear of punishment;—to do right from a *love* of right. The discipline is mild. Every effort is made to reclaim the erring by kindness and private appeals to the reason and conscience; if these efforts fail, the student is privately removed from the Institution. No young lady will be allowed to remain in the Seminary whose example tends to encourage indolence or insubordination, or whose influence is in any respect of an unfavorable character.

The Students are amenable to the laws of the Institute during the whole period of their connection with it. Those from abroad, are not allowed to make nor to receive visits, or attend any exhibition, without permission from the Principal.

In going abroad, they are accompanied by the Teachers. They are not allowed to open accounts with merchants, without permission from their Parents or Guardians, and all purchases must be approved by the lady with whom they board.

They do not visit the stores nor the post office, but obtain goods through the agency of friends. All letters received pass through the hands of the Principal and where there is suspicion of a clandestine correspondence, the letters are enclosed to the Parents or Guardian, without examination.

Uniform.

In order to form habits of economy, and prevent rivalry in dress, a uniform is prescribed for Sabbaths and holidays. For winter, deep blue Merino, or other suitable fabric;—for summer, pink Calico, Ginghams, or white Cambric or Muslin. The Bonnet, straw, trimmed with blue for winter and pink for summer. On ordinary occasions, any dress may be worn not more expensive than the uniform. Jewelry is not allowed to be worn by the Students.

Sessions and Vacations.

There are two sessions of five months each, commencing on the second Wednesdays in October and March. There are two vacations; the first, from the Second Wednesday in August to the second Wednesday in October; the second, from the 25th of December to the first of January.

Examination and Commencement.

Monthly Examinations are held which are open to the immediate friends of the Students, as are all the daily recitations.

The Collegiate year is closed by a public examination, and the Commencement exercises of the graduating class.

Students will be received at any time. It is earnestly recommended, however, that young ladies enter at the *commencement* of the session, as a tardiness of a few days often embarasses the pupil throughout a whole term.

No deduction will be made for an absence of less than one month, except in case of illness. There are two reasons for this: first, arrangements for teaching can be made only by the session, or, the year; second, so important to the pupil is *early* and *constant* attendance that we wish to employ every means to secure it.

Parents and Guardians are earnestly requested not to bring, nor remove young Ladies on the Sabbath.

Physical Exercise.

Equestrian exercise is provided for the young ladies, on the extensive premises of the Institute.

Callisthenics are taught daily. The importance of these exercises as means of promoting health and physical refinement, need not here be urged.

The Students are also required to take regular exercise in the open air.—The site of the new edifice includes 28 acres, and affords an extensive Campus with ample range for the young ladies, without going abroad. The new building is warmed by a Hot Air Furnace, the advantage of which to health, in securing constant ventilation, will be appreciated by those acquainted with it. Apartments are also fitted up expressly for warm and cold bathing; and ample provision made for physical exercise during inclement weather.

To those living near the Railroad, Murfeesboro' is most accessible by the way of Weldon. Passengers should stop at Boykin's Depot, on the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad, twelve miles from the Institute, where a regular conveyance will always be found.

Course of Study and Text Books.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

Reading; Writing; Intellectual Arithmetic; Elementary Geography, with Globes; Elementary Arithmetic, with Exercises on Blackboard; Elementary Drawing; Natural History; English Grammar; Elementary History; Composition; Drawing Outline Maps; and Bible History.

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT.

FIRST YEAR.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Colburn's Intell. Arithmetic.	1. Colburn's Arithmetic, continued.
Davies' do. to Divis. Fed. Money.	Davies' Arithmetic to Reduction of Denom. Fractions.
2. Morse's Geography, half through.	2. Geography completed, with use of Globes.
3. Bullion's English Grammar to Auxiliary Verbs.	3. Bullion's English Grammar to Syntax.
4. Wilson's U. S. History and Composition.	4. Wilson's U. S. History completed; and Composition.

SECOND YEAR.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Intellectual Arithmetic, continued. Davies' Arithmetic, to Coins and Currencies.	1. Intellectual Arithmetic, completed and reviewed. Davies' Arithmetic completed.
2. Bullion's English Grammar to Syntax of Participles.	2. Bullion's English Grammar, completed and reviewed.
3. Ruschenberger's Natural History of Quadrupeds.	3. Ruschenberger's Ornithology.
4. Parker's Exer. in Composition.	4. Parker's Exercises in Composition.

THIRD YEAR.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Davies' Arithmetic reviewed, and Davies' Algebra to Fractions.	1. Algebra reviewed, and to Binomial Theorem.
2. Anthon's Latin Lesson's to the Verb.	2. Latin Lessons to Adverbs.
3. Botany, (Phelps') through twenty-second Lecture.	3. Botany, completed.
4. Critical Parsing in Foster's Essay on Decision of Character, and Parker's Exercises in Composition.	4. Ruschenberger's Herpetology and Ichthyology; with semi-weekly Composition.

FOURTH YEAR.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Algebra, through Equations of Second Degree.	1. Algebra reviewed and completed.
2. Latin Lessons (Anthon's) reviewed and completed.	2. Anthon's Cæsar's Commentaries.
3. Mattison's Astronomy.	3. Taylor's Universal History.
4. Parker's Exercises, and Letter Writing.	4. Exercises in Analysis and Composition.

COLLEGIATE DEPARTMENT.

FIRST COLLEGIATE CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. French, Ollendorf's Grammar and Vie de Washington.	1. French Grammar and Charles XII.
2. Cæsar's Commentaries.	2. Latin. Athon's Virgil.
3. Newman's Rhetoric and daily composition.	3. Newman's Rhetoric and daily Composition.
4. History. Mythology, weekly.	4. History. Mythology, weekly.

SOPHOMORE CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Geometry, Davies' Legendre.	1. Geometry, nine books completed.
2. Natural Philosophy.	2. Natural Philosophy.
3. Silliman's Chemistry.	3. Silliman's Chemistry, completed.
4. Physiology, (Cutter's.) Greek and Roman Antiquities, and Essays weekly.	4. Physiology, (Cutter's). Greek and Roman Antiquities, and Essays, weekly.

JUNIOR CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1. Trigonometry.	1. Heights and Distances, Mensuration of Surfaces and Solids.
2. French, Racine.	2. French.
3. Logic.	3. Wayland's Moral Science.
4. Geology, Loomis'.	4. Geology completed; Mineralogy.

SENIOR CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.	SECOND SESSION.
1 Wayland's Moral Science.	1 Butler's Analogy.
2 Evidences of Christianity.	2 Kame's Elements of Criticism.
3 Paley's Natural Theology.	3 Astronomy, Olmsteds.
4 Intellectual Philosophy, and Campbell's Philosophy of Rhetoric.	4 Intellectual Philosophy and Book keeping.

Reading, Writing, Elocution, Composition, and the Bible are studied throughout the whole course.

OPTIONAL COURSE.

Students who prefer going through the whole course, except the Languages, may substitute other studies and obtain a Diploma.

In all the Departments, the advancement of the Pupil in the classes is determined by her actual progress, and not by the time spent in the Institute.

The following branches may be studied at the option of the Student, viz: French, Italian, Latin, Greek, Music—(Piano, Guitar, and Organ.—Drawing, Painting, Embroidery, Wax Work, Tissue Flowers.

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PAYABLE ONE HALF IN ADVANCE.

Primary Department,	$10 00
First Year, Academic Department,	10 00
English Studies of 2d, 3d, and 4th years of Academic Department,	15 00
English Studies of Collegiate Department,	15 00
French, Latin, Greek, Italian, each,	7 00
Drawing and Embroidery, each,	6 00
Music, Piano and Guitar, each,	20 00
Organ,	25 00
Seraphine,	20 00
Use of Seraphine,	3 00
Use of Piano,	3 00
Use of Guitar,	2 00
Use of Organ,	7 00
Scientific Lectures,	1 50
School Room Expenses,	1 00
Vocal Music,	1 00
Oil Painting,	12 00
Water do.	9 00

Board can be obtained in the Institute, or, in respectable private families in its immediate vicinity, where all will be under the general supervision of the Faculty. Terms, $8 per month, not including the use of Bath Rooms.—Washing $1 per month.

Application for admission can be made to the Principal by letter, or on the premises of the Institute. The expenses for one year without board, may be thus stated :—

For a full English course, without Music, Languages, or ornamental branches,	$37 00
Music with English branches,	83 00
English branches with Music and one of the Languages,	97 00
English branches, with Music, Language, and Water Painting,	115 00

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

BETHEL, PERQUIMONS CO., N. C.

May 18--21, 1854.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

BETHEL CHURCH, Perquimons Co. N. C., }
Thursday, May 18th, 1854. }

The introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. J. B. Taylor, founded on John ix: 4,—"I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day, for the night cometh, when no man can work"—Elder Spivey appointed to that service being absent, and his alternate, Elder Nowell, being indisposed.

After a brief intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer was offered by Elder B. Nixon.

Brethren W. D. Pritchard and Thomas C. Skinner were appointed assistant clerks.

Letters from the churches were called for and read.—Brethren W. W. Mitchell, A. W. Darden, and L. T. Spires sat to receive contributions from the churches.

The list of names being prepared, the roll was called and the Association proceeded to organization. Bro. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

A church recently constituted in the town of Hertford, Perquimons county, presented herself through delegates, asking admission into this body,—the petition was referred to Elders Johnson, Waff and Trotman, who having been on the constituting presbytery, reported favorably as to the order, articles and discipline of the church, whereupon she was received; the delegates receiving the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

Visiting brethren in the ministry were invited to seats; the following were recognized, viz: Elder J. H. Wombwell from the Portsmouth Association—a package of their last minutes were laid on the Clerk's table,—Elder John D. Elwell from the Pamplico Association with minutes, Elder T. S. Yarbrough, Agent of the N. C. Bap. State Convention, and Elder W. M. Wingate, Agent of Wake Forest College.

Elders Trotman, Bradford and Delk were appointed a

Committee of Arrangements. The pastors and deacons of the churches at Bethel and Hertford were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

Copies of the Bible Union Reporter, of the minutes of the Tar River Association, and of the San Francisco, (California) Association were handed into the body.

The Association adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow.—Prayer by Elder Sanderlin.

FRIDAY, May 19th, 1854.

Association met. Opening prayer by Elder Sanderlin. The roll was called.

Elder J. J. James handed in a letter from the Corresponding Secretary of the N. C. Baptist State Convention, which was read and he was recognized as a representative of the Convention.

A letter of correspondence from the Union Association was read. The Committee of Arrangement reported—report received and the Committee discharged.

The Committee on Domestic Missions reported, report received and committee discharged. See Appendix, letter A.

The Committee on Wake Forest College reported—pending the discussion on the reception of this report, the Association took a recess of thirty minutes. On the re-assembling of the Association the remarks on the motion to receive the report on W. F. College were continued for several hours, after which cards were circulated and nearly $4000 subscribed in aid of the College endowment fund. The report was received and committee discharged. See Appendix, letter B.

Committee on Finance made the following report:

Amount in Treasury,		$96 26
Present contributions,		94 50
		190 76
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Printing Minutes for 1853 and expense,	$60 50	
Transcribing the same,	25 00	85 50
Balance in the Treasury,		$105 26

The chair then announced the following appointments, viz: Delegates to the Portsmouth Association, M. R. Fory, S. W. Worrell and R. H. Land.

To the Pamplico Association—Elders Trotman, Speight and Sanderlin.

To the Tar River Association — Elders Deldridge, Waff and J. N. Hoggard.

To the Union Association—Elders Johnson, Hancock and Craig.

Standing Committees to report to the next Association are,

On Foreign Missions—Elders Spivey, Delk and T. Hoggard.

On Sunday Schools—Elder Bradford, and brethren R. Felton and S. T. Bond.

On Domestic Missions on East Side of Chowan River —Elder Trotman and brethren C. W. Skinner and Morgan.——On the West Side, Elder Spivey and brethren J. S. Tayloe and W. W. Mitchell.

On Temperance—Elder Spivey, J. N. Hoggard and Nowell.

Committee on the C. F. Collegiate Institute reported, and as the hour was late, its discussion was deferred until to-morrow morning.

The Association then adjourned to 9 to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder Bradford.

Elder Yarbrough preached at the stand this morning. Elder Taylor in the church at Hertford at candlelighting, at which time brother Thomas Creecy Skinner was solemnly ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry by Elders Taylor, Johnson, Pritchard, Fory and Trotman. Elder Taylor preached the ordination sermon.

SATURDAY, May 20.

The Association met. Prayer by Elder Wombwell.

Roll was called and list of ministers examined.

The Association resumed the discussion of the report of the Committee on the Chowan Fem. Col. Institute,—which report was adopted and Committee discharged.—See Appendix, letter C.

The following Committees were announced:

On Foreign Missions—Elders Taylor, Wheeler and Delbridge.

On N. C. Bap. State Convention—Elder Yarbrough and brother W. D. Pritchard.

On Periodicals—Elders Bradford, Craig and Sanderlin.

On Wake Forest College—Elder Wingate, brethren A. J. Askew and J. S. Mitchell.

On Chowan Fem. Col. Institute—Elder Fory, brethren Spires and W. W. Mitchell.

On Sunday Schools—Elders Johnson, Berry and Elwell.

On Temperance—Elders Spivey, John N. Hoggard and Nowell.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be held with the church at Cashie, to commence on Thursday before the 3d Lord's day in May, 1855. Elder Craig was chosen to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder Trotman the alternate.

Elder A. J. Spivey was appointed special messenger to the Portsmouth Association to press the claims of the Chowan Female Collegiate Institution on that body.

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, This Association holding in grateful remembrance the Rev. Thomas Meredith, deceased, and entertaining a high appreciation of his talents as a Minister of the Gospel and a theological writer, and regarding him as an able defender of the Baptist faith and doctrines, are gratified to learn, that it is in contemplation, on the part of our sister, G. Meredith, widow of the deceased, to procure the publication of the most important of his writings, with a sketch of his life.

Therefore, *Resolved*, That this Association entertain a favorable opinion of the propriety of such a publication.

Committee on N. C. Baptist State Convention reported, report received and the committee discharged. See Appendix, letter D.

Association took a recess from half past one to two.

The Clerk was instructed to reply to the communication of the Corresponding Secretary of the N. C. Baptist State Convention, to the effect that the amount of missionary labor, funds, &c., be reported to the Convention, and that the Association thus become auxiliary to that body.

Query.—Is it consistent in a christian to manufacture or sell ardent spirits or to drink them as a beverage? Q. H. Trotman.

The query was read three times and decided that it was inconsistent.

The committee on Sunday Schools reported: report received and committee discharged. See Appendix letter E.

Committee on Periodicals reported: report received and committee discharged. See Appendix, letter F.

Committee on Religious Supplies was instructed to nominate ministers to preach on Lord's day.

WHEREAS, Rev. M. R. Fory, Principal of the Chowan Female Col. Institute, has resigned his office, to take effect at the end of the present scholastic year, thus creating a vacancy. Therefore, Resolved, That our Board of Trustees be instructed to enter into contract with some gentleman of talent and experience to fill this vacancy.

Resolved, That with the assistance of God and our brethren, we are still determined to make the C. F. C. Institute equal to any Female College in our country, and our friends and patrons are assured that there will be no diminution of educational facilities under the new arrangement.

Resolved, That the above resolutions be published in the Biblical Recorder and Religious Herald.

Some of the churches having failed to send up funds to the China Mission Fund it was resolved that this Association consider the pledges entered into at the Association held with the church at Bethlehem as binding whenever a missionary shall be assigned to this Body.

Elder J. J. Lansdell, R. Davenport, J. J. Lindsey, J. Mason, T. Lansdell, J. Craddock, presented themselves and were recognized as a portion of the delegates from the Pamplico Association.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported: report received and committee discharged. See Appendix, letter G. After which $227.25 were secured in cash and pledges as follows:

Cashie church $20, J. S. Tayloe paid $3, G. C Moore paid $4, R. D. Simpson paid $10, J. Nowell paid $5, Rebecca Manning paid 25c, Rev. L. Sanderlin pledge $50, Rev. George Bradford paid $25, C. W. Skinner, Sr. $100, Sawyer's Ceeek Church, by F. B. Grandy, $25, Salem church $10.——Total $227.25.

WHEREAS, Our School, the C. F. C. Institute is now without an agent, and whereas we feel great interest in any thing that may affect its permanence and prosperity, therefore, *Resolved*, That we request our Board of Trustees to tender the agency to our brother, John L. Pritchard.

Resolved, further, That we request of brother Pritchard, if compatible with his feelings and engagements, that he accept the proposition, as it would afford the churches composing this Association great gratification to have him associated with them in this work.

Elder Geo. W. Johnson was appointed to prepare biographical notices of the late Elders James Nash and Pritchard Jordan, a notice of Elder M. Cobell, deceased, being accidentally omitted; at the request of brethren, he took the responsibility to make arrangements for a notice

of him to be prepared for these Minutes.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be recorded for the generous hospitality, with which the citizens of this church and vicinity have entertained the delegates at the present session.

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to edit and have printed 2500 copies of these Minutes for distribution among the churches.

The Association then adjourned after an affecting address and prayer by Rev. J. B. Taylor. Elder T. S. Yarbrough preached in the church at Hertford at candle-lighting.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator.*
S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk.*

LORD'S DAY, May 20th, 1854.

This was a pleasant day, the congregation large and attentive. Elder Jno. L. Pritchard preached at 11 a. m. from Mark xvi. 15; after which a collection was taken up for Foreign Missions amounting to $109.27. At 2 p. m. Rev. Dr. Teasdale of Washington City, preached from the text in 1 James iv: 13.

List of Elders or Bishops in the Chowan Association.

1 S Bazemore, Windsor.
2 Abner Berry, North West.
3 Jeremiah Bunch, Jr, Windsor.
4 Geo Bradford, Edenton.
5 Andrew M Craig, Hotel.
6 James Delk, Pitch Landing.
7 R W Delbridge, Ryland's Depot.
8 D V Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge.
9 Evan Forbes, Camden C H.
10 M R Fory, Murfreesboro.
11 Everett Hancock, Hotel.
12 David Harrell, Windsor.
13 Wm H Hardee, Jackson.
14 Thomas Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
15 Jno N Hoggard, Murfreesboro.
15 Edw'd Howell, Factory Hill, Va.
17 M W Jones, South Mills.
18 G W Johnson, Elizabeth City.
19 R H Land, Murfreesboro,
20 West Leary, Edenton.
21 Moses L Mizzle, Windsor.
22 B Nixon, Edenton.
23 Jno Nowell, Colerain.
24 L Sanderlin, North West.
25 Thos Creecy Skinner, Hertford.
26 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
27 A J Spivey, Windsor.
28 J D Stokely, South Mills.
29 Q H Trotman, Mintonsville.
30 A Twine, Powell's Point.
31 Thos Waff, Edenton.
32 Henry White, Merry Hill.
33 H J White, St, Johns.
34 Jno B Webb, Edenton.

List of Licentiates.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
2 Wells Briggs, Mintonsville.
3 Willie Dunning, Roxabel.
4 J M Goodwin, Hertford.
5 R Lassiter, Edenton.
6 Jno P Lee, Murfreesboro.
7 Ira A Odom, Pitch Landing.
8 E Pierce, Windsor.
9 Thos Pittman, Berlin, Va.
10 Abram Pruden, Somerton, Va.
11 J J Rochelle, Murfreesboro.
12 Exum Stephenson, Jackson.
13 B B Williams, Coleraine.
14 W Worrell, Gatesville.

Appendix.

A.

Report on Domestic Missions.

Your Committee on Domestic Missions beg leave to submit the following, as the result of their operations during the last Associational year.

We have had three Missionaries in the field a part of the time—brethren John B. Webb, Daniel V. Etheridge and John N. Hoggard.

Brother Webb has travelled 1092 miles, preached 37 sermons, delivered 28 exhortations, obtained several subscribers for the Recorder, baptized 3, received $19.61, expenses $1.35, and was engaged in all 77 days, leaving a balance due him of $58,74.

Brother Etheridge was engaged 65 days, travelled 900 miles, preached 49 sermons, during which time 18 were baptized, received $20.87, expenses $4.89. Balance due him $49.02.

Brother Hoggard was engaged 78 days, travelled 1180 miles, preached 39 sermons, during which time he held a protracted meeting with the church at Potecasi, at which there were 40 baptized, received $12.50, expenses $3.56. Balance due him $69.06. The whole amount of our indebtedness we find to be $176.82.

Received at the present session of the Association $363.35.

Balance on hand after paying the missionaries $186.53.

The Committee did not give us the names of the churches contributing, or they would be published with our report.

Q. H. TROTMAN, *Chairman.*

B.

Report on Wake Forest College.

Your committee on Wake Forest College would beg leave to report a few facts in reference to the progress of the endowment since your last anniversary. We feel that this much is at least due, in as much as this association manifested a commendable interest in the object at the last session. Since that time the Board of Trustees have adopted a new and more available plan of scholarships, lessening the number of years and increasing the number of students to be sent. As an immediate consequence of this change the progress of the endowment received a new impetus. The work went rapidly forward, and within four months time $1300 were raised within a circuit immediately around the College. Again during the last two months something over $7000 have been raised chiefly within the Union Association, and it is especially worthy of remark that one county raised over $5000 of this sum. The sum total of all that has been subscribed amounts to something over $33,000.—Thus Brethren by the blessing of God and the liberality of Brethren this great work has gone forward until the goal seems already in sight. A few more efforts on the part of Brethren in this and other associations, a few more months in which to visit them, and this great enterprise sanctified in the prayers and affections of the whole denomination of the State will stand complete. And who among us all will not hail this as the best and brightest epoch in the history of the Baptists of North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. M. WINGATE, *Chm'n.*

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C.

This Report on the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute has not been forwarded, but the principal facts contained in it, are as follows:—The Principal of the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported 160 pupils in attendance at the Institution. A revival of religion has to some extent prevailed in the school—13 professions—7 baptized. He also recommended the enlargement of the College building by making additions to it for the better accommodation of the pupils.

EDITOR BIB. RECORDER.

D.

Report of the Committee of the Baptist State Convention.

This Institution has been in existence about a quarter of a century; and was designed, in its organization, to bring together and consolidate the resources of the Baptist denomination, in the entire State of N. C., for the purpose of carrying forward the great work of human redemption. Its only objects are to educate and send forth into the world, at home and abroad, an enlightened and efficient ministry.

Its funds are expended upon indigent young brethren, who have the ministry in view, and come recommended to its patronage by their churches; and in sending the preached gospel into destitute portions of N. C., and into the heathen world. Such an Institution, the wants of our denomination seem to demand. This Institution is the parent of our College at Wake Forest, and we may say, in a certain sense, also of most of our benevolent efforts. It is earnestly hoped by your committee, that this Association, containing as it does a large proportion of the strength of our denomination in this State, may ever be largely represented in this body, and that a deep interest may be felt by it in its objects which are of such common interest to us all.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. S. YARBROUGH, *Ch'm'n.*

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E.

Report on Sabbath Schools.

Your committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to submit the following as their Report:

The Churches of Jesus Christ we are persuaded can not take too deep an interest in the Sabbath school enterprize. The Sabbath School is emphatically "the nursery of the church." In the greater number of modern revivals, the majority of those who profess a hope in Christ, are from the Sabbath School, where they have been taught by the word "the way of salvation." Its influence for good is also felt in a thousand ways, not altogether palpable to us. In view, therefore, of the great blessings attending this enterprise, when properly and faithfully prosecuted, we would earnestly recommend our churches to employ more vigorous means for the the establishment and maintainance of Sabbath Schools, than they have heretofore done in some of our congregations. We are happy to say that our brethren are awake and active on this subject; but we fear far too

many are grossly negligent. Again, then, we would urge the churches to consider more seriously the importance of originating and conducting Sabbath Schools in their midst.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. JOHNSTON, *Chm'n.*

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F.

Report on Periodicals.

The committee on Periodicals submit the following :—It is generally conceeded, that the press is one of the greatest instrumentalities of this age, in affecting good, or the accomplishment of evil. The latter influence has been exerted injuriously, upon the public mind, by employing this power, for unhallowed purposes. Your committee have reference to some of the periodicals and light literature of the present day.

Again, those differing from us, in principles and views, have adopted a judicious policy, in this matter. As lovers of virtue and truth, Baptists should feel the obligation resting upon them, to sustain their own periodicals.

The committee offer the following resolution,

Resolved, That we recommend, The Biblical Recorder, to all the churches connected with this Association and Baptists in this State, as worthy of their patronage and cordial support; and that we will aid in its circulation and assist in its prosperity.

Resolved, That the Home and Foreign Journal published by H. K. Ellyson, Richmond, Va., as the organ of the Foreign and Domestic Mission Boards be recommended to the patronage of the churches.—Terms, single copy 25 cents per annum, five copies $1, 28 copies $5.

G. BRADFORD, *Chm'n.*

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G.

Report on Foreign Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report :

It is no longer a doubtful question whether it is appropriate to engage in systematic endeavors to extend the tidings of salvation among the nations of the earth. Whoever shall now oppose this object will only prove himself to be ignorant of the very nature of the gospel system. What is the genius of the gospel? It is a scheme of mercy adapted to the spiritual condition of the race. It accomplishes the elevation and salvation of men every where. Wherever the spirit of the gospel exists,

it will prompt to earnest and self-sacrificing endeavors to send abroad its healing influences throughout the world.

But while your Committee are assured that in theory, the claim of the Foreign Mission cause is almost everywhere acknowledged, a lamentable deficiency prevails among our churches in the practical interest which should manifest itself. The pecuniary contributions of the disciples of Christ do not correspond in any measure with the magnitude of the claim, and the numerous openings which the Providence of God is furnishing for the diffusion of evangelic truth. Nor does the spirit of prayer so generally prevail, as the power and promise of God so abundantly warrant. This is an evil among us most seriously to be deplored. But your Committee entertain the hope that this evil will not be suffered to continue. What we need is the adoption of some system by which this claim shall be regularly brought before every member of our churches, and the spirit of earnest supplication be fostered and increased.

In view of the favor which God is showing to Foreign Missions, and the necessities of our Foreign Mission Board, your Committee beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to our churches to set apart some special season at an early period for the collection of funds on behalf of this object, and that an endeavor be made to secure from each member a practical acknowledgment of this claim.

2. *Resolved*, That our brethren of the Ministry be requested at some suitable time to deliver a discourse on Foreign Missions before each of the churches they serve.

3. *Resolved*, That we recommend the observing of regular concert of prayer, on the first Monday or day before of each month.

4. *Resolved*, That our brethren be urgently desired to promote as far as possible the circulation of the Home and Foreign Journal.

On behalf of the Committee,

JAMES B. TAYLOR, *Chm'n.*

☞ NOTE.—The Biographies, referred to in the Proceedings, have not been received. If forwarded to this office, they will be published in the Biblical Recorder.

ED. BIB. RECORDER.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Reed by letter.	Restored.	Dism'd by letter	Excomu'cated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.	Days of meeting	Sund'y Schools.	Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	Vols. in Library.
Ahoskie,	A J Askew, W W Mitchell, J B Slaughter, [son,	10	3		2	7	3	330	68	398	3 00		1	12	109	
Ballard's Bridge,	D V Etheridge, R D Simpson, H Simp-	5	2	1	5	2	11	415	104	519	4 00	2	3	23	91	205
Bethel,	S Sutton, B W Thatch, W M Fleetwood,	5			23	6	7	255	33	288	3 00	3				
Bethlehem,	J Delk, T Hoggard*, H M Jones,	13		1	4	2	3	150	56	206	3 00		1	6	70	100
Buckhorn,	T D Vann, J R Darden, J W Barnes,	3					1	67	38	105	2 00					
Capeheart's,	J N Hoggard, W Pearce,* F Hoggard,	27			3	5	7	257	112	369	3 00					
Cashie,	A J Spivey, T S Tayloe, Wm Hyman,	3	1		1	2	6	226	160	386	3 00					
Coleraine,	J Nowell, W D Valentine, J Smith,*	37	1	1	4	9	6	403	230	633	3 00	1&4				
Connaritsa,	E Hancock,* W Dunning, D O Askew,	25	1	2	4	1	14	241	53	294	2 50	3				
Cool Spring,	T Pitman, J M Parker, J W Briscot,*				4	6	5	204	35	235	2 00					
Ebenezer,	J S Jones, J N Overton,* W W Sawyer,	23	1	1		1		65	31	106	1 50					
Edenton,	C G Manning, S T Bond, T L Foxwell,	21	3		5	2	5	71	176	267	2 00		1	1	27	250
Elizabeth City,	G W Johnson, R Simpson, G S Jennings	58	11	4	6		10	337	24	361	3 00			11	73	125
Great Fork,	O P Savage, S Savage, J Rogers*,	18		1	1	1		152	26	178	1 50	3				
Hertford,	R Felton, J Newbold, C W Skinner,	2	19					19	2	21	3 00		1			
Holly Grove,	J S Mitchell, M Todd, W J Freeman,				1	3	1			70	1 50	1				
Lebanon,	J W Hofler, J Overman,* W Speight,*				4		4	28		28	50	4	1	10	1	50
Macedonia,	W Bonner, D Ward, J Bonner,		1	1		4	2	58	4	62	1 00	3				
Meherrin,	S J Wheeler, *J J Rochelle*,* W H Parker,	2	2		4	1	2	182	88	280	3 00	1	1	10	65	300
Middle Swamp,	H Speight,* W Riddick, *S W Worrell*,	6	2			4	1	114	126	240	2 00					

Mt Carmel,	K Stephenson, H C Madrey, S Pruden,*		2		12	1	10	24	93	336	2 50	4					
Mt Tabor,	A W Darden, W Dunning, J Vann,*		1			6	8	124	34	158	3 00	4					
Murfreesboro,	M R FORY, L T Spiers, W E Poole,	6	6		9			53	4	59	3 00		1	8	61	170	
Piney Grove,	F D Rogers,* J Sears,* J P Howell,	10	1		1	2	2	88	70	158	2 50						
Pleasant Grove,	G C Moore, W S Tayloe, A J Perry,*				1		2	66	23	89	2 00	1					
Pleasant Plains,	J A Mizell, H Modlin,*	41	3	1		6	1		147	147	1 50						
Potecasi,	N Blanchard, M C Cook,* W Fennell,	22	2		5	2	6	244	49	293	2 00	2					
Powell's Point,	W S Harrison,* B Gallop,* J Bray,*	2	2				3	42	8	50	1 00	4					
Providence,	G L Brockett, J Dey,* T Williams,*				2	2	2	69		69	1 50	3					
Ramoth Gilead,	A Spence, T B Williams, M W Butkins.	4	1	5		2	2	100	98	198	1 00	1					
Republican,	J BUNCH, Jr, W H Bunch, D Thompson,	3	1		1	4	3	140	44	184	2 00	2&4					
Roanoke Island,	A TWINE,* W Tillett,* J B Twine,*	17			1	4	6	117	37	154	1 00	1	1	8	40	100	
Robert's Chapel,	I Baugham, N F Maddry, J B Barnes,	2			2	3	1	125	49	174	2 00	3					
Rocky Hock,	J B WEBB, C Harris, F Bunch,	7	1	1	4	5	4	150	9	163	1 50	1	1			200	
Ross' M H	M L Mizell,* J M Perry, W T Mitchell,	31		3	3	6		315	53	368	2 50	4					
Salem,	A Hollowell, B Berry, T C Delon,	5		2		3	3	74	4	78		3					
Sandy Cross,	Q H TROTMAN, W Stallings W H Manning	75	1	4	6	7	3	297	54	351	3 00	1	2	20	100	600	
Sandy Run;	A M CRAIG, W H Lee, H Page,*	5	3		8	2	6	87	118	205	2 00	4					
Sawyer's Creek,	E FORBES, F B Grandy, W D Pritchard,	42	4	2	7	3	4	238	38	268	3 00	2&4	1	10	40	240	
Shady Grove,	L SANDERLIN, H Balentine,* J B Jones,	43	1	1	1	1	2			135	2 00						
Shiloh,	A BERRY, S W Sawyer, B Barco,*	67		10		1	15	326	75	401	3 00	1					
Vassers' M H,	R W DELBRIDGE, T Mays, R Taylor,	14	2		1	1	4	50	30	80	1 00	2					
Whiteville Grove,	W E Simpson, J R White, G W Simpson	3	6		1	1	1	55	2	57	1 50	2					
Yoppim,	T WAFF, W Bembury, J Bonner,	1	6		3	3	5	86	9	95	1 00	4	1	7	22	100	
44 churches.		658	90	41	139	121	180	6543	2414	8957	93 00		16	135	709	2390	

* Absent. Ordained Ministers in SMALL CAPITALS. Licentiates in *Italics*.

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

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MAY, 1855.

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PROCEEDINGS.

CASHIE CHURCH, Bertie Co., N. C., }
Thursday, 17th May, 1855. }

THE introductory sermon was delivered by Bro. L. M. Carter, founded on Psalms, cxxxvii, 5th and 6th: "If I forget thee, oh, Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning," &c. Subject—attachment to the church.

After a brief intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer was offered by Elder Waff. Bro. A. J. Askew was appointed assistant clerk.

Letters from the churches were called for and read. Brethren W. W. Mitchell, W. D. Pritchard and B. Moore sat as a committee to receive contributions.

The list of names being prepared, the roll was called and the association proceeded to organization. Bro. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Letters petitionary were handed in from newly constituted churches, at Mars Hill, Bertie Co., at Gatesville, Gates Co., and at Corinth, Northampton Co., asking admission into this body.

The application from Mars Hill was referred to Elders Delk, Hoggard and Nowell; that from Gatesville to Elders Trotman, Leary and Webb, and that from Corinth to Elders Trotman, Webb and Delbridge. These bishops having been on the constituting presbyteries of the churches petitioning on the order, articles &c., of the churches, whereupon they were received into our union. the delegates receiving the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

Visiting brethren in the ministry were invited to seats. The following were recognized, viz: Elder J. Davis, of South Carolina, agent of the Domestic Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Bro. Thomas H. Pritchard, agent of Wake Forest College, Elder J. J. James, editor of Biblical Recorder, Elder J. B. Solomon, from the Tar River Association, with a letter of correspondence, Elder G. W. Huntly, agent of the Bible Union, and Bro. L. M. Carter, agent of the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

Minutes of the last session of the Portsmouth association, containing a corresponding letter, were laid on the table, and the letter was read. Minutes of the Pamlico association, with a corresponding letter contained, were presented, which was also read; and minutes of the San Francisco (California) association were laid before the body.

The association adjourned to 9 a. m., to-morrow. Prayer by Elder Speight.

Elder John N. Hogwood preached at 3 p. m. Elder J. J. James, at candle-lighting, in the Methodist church in Windsor.

FRIDAY, 18th May, 1855.

The association met. Services were opened by reading the lxxv. Psalm, and prayer by Edward Lansdell.

Committee on Home Missions reported. After a full and animated discussion, it was adopted and ordered to be printed. (See appendix, letter A.)

Association took a recess of thirty minutes.

On re-assembling, a letter from Bro. S. T. Bond, formerly of Edenton, now of Norfolk, Va., was read, in relation to the destitute condition of the Edenton Church, pledging $20 for its relief. The letter was referred to Elders Lansdell, Waff & Bro. C. G. Manning, to be reported upon. The same committee were instructed to take into consideration the case of the churches at Powell's Point and Corinth.

The following committees were then announced, viz:

On Wake Forest College: Bro. T. H. Pritchard, Elder Waff and Bro. C. G. Manning.

On the State Convention: Bro. W. H. Manning, Elder Etheridge and Bro. C. W. Skinner.

On Sunday Schools: Bro. Henson, Elder Worrell and Bro. Jones.

On Periodicals: Elder Lansdell, Brethren Askew and C. G. Manning.

On Temperance: Elders Skinner, Kone and Bro. Simpson.

Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Amount in the Treasury		$105 26
Amount of present contributions		99 00
Contra		$204 26
Printing minutes of 1854 and freight	$60 75	
Transcribing the same	25 00	$ 85 75
Amount in the Treasury		$118 51

The circumstances of the widow of our deceased brother, El-

der L. Sanderlin, being represented as necessitous, the association appropriated $34.25 for her relief.

Resolved, That the next session of this association be held with the church at Sawyer's Creek, Camden County, to commence on Thursday, before 3d Lord's day in May, 1856 : Elder A. Murdock Craig to preach the introductory; Elder W. W. Kone, the alternate.

Elder J. J. Lansdell was appointed to write biographical sketches of the late Elders M. W. Jones and L. Sanderlin, deceased.

Elder Craig was appointed to write a biographical sketch of our deceased brother, Elder A. J. Spivey.

On motion, the association adjourned. Prayer by Elder Webb.

At 11 a.m., Elder Lansdell preached in the school room adjacent; Elder Huntly at the stand in the grove, and Elder Thomas E. Skinner in the Baptist Church in Windsor, at candle-lighting.

SATURDAY, 19th May, 1855.

The Association met. Prayer by Elder J. Davis. Roll was called.

Elder Wm. H. Jordan, a delegate from the Union Association, was present this morning. Elder T. C. Teasdale, of Washington City, and Elder J. B. Taylor, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, were also present. They were invited to seats.

Trustees of the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute presented, through their President, an expose of the affairs of the Institute, giving a sketch of its history, its present condition, its claims on us and our corresponding obligations, which, after an interesting discussion, was ordered to be printed. (See letter B. in appendix.) After which, subscriptions were taken to the amount of nearly $3,000 in aid of the Institute.

The following preamble and resolutions were then adopted, viz :

This association, having heard the report of our Board of Trustees for the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute, and approving the ways and means devised by them to organize and arrange our school, therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend our churches and brethren to contribute, as God has prospered them, towards the extinguishment of the present debt of the Institute, and also to aid our Board in the erection of additional buildings.

Resolved, 2*ndly*, That this body request each pastor or evangelist in our bounds to act as agent for our school, in his congregation, to induce the members of the denomination and its friends having daughters or wards to educate, to send them to our Institute; since here, facilities as great, on terms as moderate, can be engaged, as at any school located elsewhere.

The Association took a recess of thirty minutes.

On re-assembling, the following resolution was passed :

Whereas, The work of translating and circulating the Holy Scriptures, is essential to the convertion of the world to Christ.

Resolved, That in view of the great influence that those speaking the English language are likely to exert in the evangelization of the world, and of the vast number of foreigners who are annually learning our language, the procuring of a faithful version in English is among the most important duties of the Church.

The committee on Wake Forest College reported. The report was received (see letter C. in appendix) and committee discharged. It was then

Resolved, That immediate steps be taken to raise funds sufficient to found a scholarship in Wake Forest College, and that the churches be requested to send up annually, hereafter, amounts sufficient to entitle this association to a scholarship, until Wake Forest College is fully endowed.

Committee on North Carolina Baptist State Convention reported. Report was received and committee discharged. (See letter D. in appendix.)

Committee on Periodicals reported. Report received (see E. in appendix) and committee discharged.

Committee on Relief for Churches at Edenton, Corinth and Powell's Point reported. (See F. in appendix.) Committee discharged.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported (see G. in appendix) and committee discharged.

Committee on Indian Missions reported. (See H. in appendix.) Committee discharged.

Rev. Dr. James B. Taylor, Corresponding Secretary of Board of Foreign Missions of Southern Baptist Convention, submitted a few remarks in reference to the operations of the Board, after which, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the present condition of our Foreign Missions, as conducted by the Foreign Missionary Board in Richmond, furnishes most cheering evidence of the divine favor, and should encourage to increased zeal in sending the gospel to the heathen.

Resolved, That our Pastors be affectionately urged to bring before the Churches the claims of Foreign Missions, and that arrangements be made to secure their free will offerings, to be forwarded to the next meeting of this Association.

Brethren G. C. Moore, A. J. Perry, S. J. Wheeler and Elder Trotman were appointed a committee to superintend the interests of this Association in the Scholarships, at Wake Forest College, and that they are hereby empowered to present candidates, who shall enjoy the benefits of said Scholarships.

Corresponding delegates to sister Associations were appointed as follows:

To the Portsmouth Association: Elders Land, Trotman, Landsdell and brother Henson.

To the Union Association: Elders Bradford, Leary and Webb.

To the Pamlico Association: Elders Craig, Kone and Waff.

To the Tar River Association: Elders Etheridge, J. N. Hogwood and Delbridge.

Resolved, That the clerks of Churches, in their letters to the Association, be requested hereafter to state the amounts contributed by the Churches during the year for the Bible Cause, Home and Foreign Missions, Education, (C. F. Coll. Institute and W. F. College) Publication Society and such other causes as they may deem worthy their support—thus presenting, at a single view, the whole amount contributed by the Churches annually to the cause of christian benevolence.

Resolved farther, That the clerk of this Association prepare a tabular statement of such reports, to be appended to the minutes.

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to edit and have printed 2,500 copies of these minutes.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the members of the Cashie and the citizens of this vicinity for the generous manner in which the delegates to this body have been entertained at its present session.

On motion, the association adjourned. Prayer by Elder Trotman.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*. G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

LORD'S-DAY, 20 May, 1855.

The stand was occupied at 11, A. M., by Elder Trotman, at 12, M., by Rev. Dr. Teasdale, and 2, P. M., by Brother L. M. Carter.

In the house, Elder Wm. H. Jordan preached at 11, A. M., who was followed by Elder J. J. James.

In the town of Windsor, the pulpit of the Baptist Church was occupied in the afternoon by Rev. Dr. Hooper, and at candle-lighting by Elder W. W. Kone.

Collection for the convention amounted to $46.46.

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor,
2 Abner Berry, North West.
3 Jeremiah Bunch, Jr., Windsor.
4 George Bradford. Edenton.
5 Andrew M. Craig, Hotel.
6 James Delk, Pitch Landing.
7 R. W. Delbridge, Ryland's Depot, Va
8 D. V. Etheridge, Bullard's Bridge.
9 Evan Forbes, Camden C. H.
10 J. M. Goodwin, Hertford.
11 E. Hancock, Pitch Landing.
12 David Harrell, Windsor.
13 Wm. H. Hardee, Jackson,
14 Thomas Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
15 John N. Hogwood, Murfreesboro'.
16 E. Howell, Factory Hill, Va.
17 Wm. Hooper, Murfreesboro'.
18 Robert H. Land, Murfreesboro'.
19 J. J. Lansdell, Elizabeth City.
20 W. Leary, Edenton.
21 Moses L. Mizzells, Windsor.
22 Barnabus Nixon, Edenton.
23 John Nowell, Coleraine.
24 Edward Pierce, Windsor.
25 J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro.
26 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
27 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville.
28 Q. H. Trotman, Hertford.
29 A. Twine, Powell's Point.
30 Thomas Waff, Edenton.
31 Henry White, Merry Hill.
32 Harvey J. White, St. Johns.
33 John B. Webb, Edenton.
34 B. C. Williams, Coleraine.
35 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
2 W. Briggs, Mintonsville.
3 W. H. Bunch, Windsor.
4 Willie Dunning, Roxabel.
5 John P. Lee, Murfreesboro'.
6 Ira A. Odom, Pitch Landing.
7 Thomas Pittman, Faisonsville, Va.
8 Abraham Pruden, Somerton, Va.
9 Exum Stephenson, Jackson.
10 David Thompson, Windsor.

APPENDIX.

A

HOME MISSION REPORT.

Your Home Missionary Committee beg leave to submit the following Report:

The Prophet Isaiah, in the 2nd chapter, and at the 2nd verse of his prophesy, being divinely inspired, looks down this vista of time to the close of the Jewish polity, describes the ushering in of the Gospel dispensation as follows: "And it shall come to pass, in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountain, and shall be exalted above the hills, and all nations shall flow into it, and many people shall go and say, come ye and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths; for out of Zion shall go forth the law and the word of the of Lord from Jerusalem."

By reference to the Prophet Micah, 4th chapter, commencing at 1st verse, you have the same sentiment, expressed in the same language. Now, if we should be at a loss to know to what period of the world to apply these scriptures, we have just to turn to the Gospel of Christ, as recorded by Luke, 24th chapter, commencing at the 46th verse, and see what the blessed Saviour says; "Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer and rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name, among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." So you see that Jerusalem was the starting point from whence they were to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature, telling them, "He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved, and he that believeth not shall be damned." Now, hear whatever doctrine Peter preached on the day of penticost, (being, as he was, divinely inspired) was the doctrine the Saviour commanded to be preached among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Hear Paul, at Corinth, preaching the same doctrine, in reference to which, he says to the Gallatians, 1st chapter, and 8th verse, "though we, or an angel from Heaven, preach any other gospel to you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed." We hear the old apostle John, that disciple whom Jesus loved, saying, in his second general epistle, commencing at the 9th verse, "whomsoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the father and the son. If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house; neither bid him Godspeed, for he that biddeth him Godspeed is partaker of his evil deed." From the foregoing scriptures we clearly perceive, that if the world is ever converted to Christ, it must be done by preaching of that Gospel which Christ commanded his apostles to preach unto the people; and that gospel involves the idea of Christ being the only lawgiver, to whom the prophets gave witness, that, through his name, whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins: Acts, 10th chapter, 43d verse. We come, then, to the conclusion, unavoidably, that wherever the Gospel has not been preached in all its length and bredth, is now missionary ground, therefore, useless to console ourselves with the idea that the field is occupied by other denominations, calling themselves Christians. The very foundation upon which all paeudo-baptist societies rest, precludes the possibility of any or all of them combined, converting the world to Christ.

Infant sprinkling (or, as it is sometimes miscalled, baptism,) is the main pillar of popery, and it is the main supporter of every society who practice it; and its legitimate tendency is, no matter where found, to supercede the doctrine of faith and repentance. All who practice it attach to it a saving importance, if their own writers can be believed; and yet, strange to tell, we hear them sometimes spoken of as orthodox Christians. If sprinkled Judaism or Paganism be orthodoxy, we should like to know how much of error it would require to make a man heterodox.* If we recognise such as disciples of Christ, are we not bidding them Godspeed? and are thereby partakers of their evil deeds. Remember that Paul says, "if an angel or a man preach any other gospel than that which the apostles preached, let him be accursed." If men are to be accursed because they preach another gospel, can the people be saved who believe another gospel?

Hear what the prophet Isaiah saith: (9th chapter, and 6th verse,) "For the leaders of this people cause them to err, and they that are led of them are destroyed." The Saviour says, "in vain do you worship me, teaching for doctines the commandments of men."

The mind must be turned away from every human invention, and be directed solely to Christ, as the Saviour: for if we are saved at all it must be by Christ, and, if saved by Christ, it must be in his own way, and that way is marked out in the gospel. Hence, the importance of preaching the gospel to every creature; for we learn that faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God, and without faith it is impossible to please God. Therefore, we conclude that every system of religion which does not recognize the divinity of Christ as the foundation, and does not recognize faith as the principle of action, is *anti-Christ*. These great principles must be confessed, or else they are denied. We think it impossible for an individual to confess Christ and disobey the gospel: for Paul says, that those who obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, are the individuals who shall be banished from the presence of the Lord and the glory of his power. You see, then, the amount of labor we have to perform within the bounds of our association, with an army of more than ten thousand. We have to contend with as great a number, who profess and teach a different religion. In addition to these, we have a large number who profess no religion at all. Let us pause and ask ourselves how much we have done in God's name, in converting to Christ the people living within the bounds of our own association? We have had three missionaries in the field a part of the time, during the last associational year—Brethren J. B. Webb, Etherege and Delbrige.

Brother Webb has been engaged 72 days, traveled 891 miles, preached 36 sermons, delivered 28 exhortations, and has been instrumental in building up a church near Richsquare, in Northampton County, known by the name of Corinth; has received for his services $13—expenses $2.96—leaving a balance due him of $61.96.

Brother Etherege has been engaged 41 days, traveled 575 miles, and preached 46 sermons; during which time he has been instrumental in reviving and building up one of the oldest churches in the association, viz: Salem Church, in Pasquotank County; has received $12.50—expenses $1.70—leaving a balance due him of $30.20.

Brother Delbrige has been engaged 65 days, travelled 803 miles, preached 44 sermons, 16 exhortations; he has received $3.64 for his services—expenses $3.75. Balance due him, $65. The aggregate amount of our indebtedness, $157.16.

Brother Webb has baptised 34, Brother Etherege 9, Brother Delbrige 17. Total number baptised, 60.

Here you see how little we have done, compared with what we have to do. We should have a missionary in every county within the bounds of our association, whose duty it should be to preach in every house of worship to which access could

* By the term sprinkled Paganism, above used, my design was to be understood as referring to Romanism, which has, by the use of infant sprinkling, become paganised.

be had, in every school house, and in private houses, where the owners will allow it; so that the gospel be preached to the rich and to the poor—to the white and to the colored—to the young and to the old—for all have sinned, and are, by nature, exposed to ruin. And, inasmuch as the blessed Saviour has made provision for all, we are bound to see that all have these provisions tendered to them. We should not cease to warn the people, by night and by day, as did the apostles.

Brethren, we have much to do, and but a sort time to do it in: let us then, be up and doing while it is day, for the night cometh, in which no man can work.

All of which is respectfully submitted by the Committee.

Q. H. TROTMAN, *Chairman.*

B

TO THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

The Trustees of the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute, over which you have made us overseers, feel it due to you to report the progress we have made towards consummating our interesting work. Under your appointment we have watched over the school and strove to make it all it should be to realize your expectations. To enable you to understand its present condition and probable future wants, we propose to bring into review the prominent incidents connected with the Institute since our appointment, and the ways and means devised and executed by us for the accomplishment of the object committed to our care.

The importance of female education was not properly estimated by the Baptists of North Carolina and Virginia, until many of them, in their own families, learned by sad experience their error in committing daughters and wards for education to those entertaining denominational views adverse to their own. Baptists believe only in a profession resulting from mental conviction, and in church membership based on faith. But the influences of early impressions and their lasting powers on after life, are remembered by other denominations and made to accrue to their benefit through their schools, and, thus, hundreds are introduced into their connexion who properly belong to another flock. Sensible of the injury they were sustaining, the Baptists at length, in the two States, determined to unite schools and colleges for the education of the sons and daughters of their own people, where, at least, their immature minds would be left free from improper bias.

In May, 1849, the Chowan Association resolved to erect a female school of high order, and, believing the greater the amount of patronage conferred on any seminary of learning, (unendowed,) in the same proportion must it be perfected, determined to invite her sister, the Portsmouth, to erect and become equally interested with her in the important enterprise. The proposition was promptly acceded to, and each association appointed an equal number of Trustees to supervise the operations of the school.

At the first meeting of the united Board, Murfreesborough, N. C., was determined on for the location, the Rev. Alex. McDowall and wife selected as Principals, aided by competent assistants, and the school was commenced in a house purchased for the purpose, at $1 225.

Mr. McDowall's administration, though prosperous and satisfactory to the Board, was brought to an unexpected close in April, 1850, by the appearance of small-pox in the town. He sent in his resignation and retired to a more elevated region of our State, in search, as he said, of better health. The operations of the Institute were suspended for a few weeks, and then resumed under the direction of Rev. M. R. Fory, a colleague of the retiring Principal. The number of pupils rapidly increased, and the responsibilities of the Board multiplied in the same degree, for our house very soon proved inadequate to the accommodation of those seeking admission. We had space for school room purposes, but the boarding department was soon filled, and many had necessarily to seek admission into other quarters. The Board

of Trustees felt that their responsibility must be greatly increased, so long as many of those committed to their care were living in families beyond their control. The question of removal to another site, and the erection of a more commodious building, began soon to be agitated, and was duly pondered. On one hand we were deterred by the great expense growing out of such an effort. On the other, the *interest* of the school and faithfulness on our part to this requirement, almost demanded removal at our hands. The pledge given out to the world was the erection of a school of high order, suitable to the wants of all in search of liberal education, and the Trustees were but the servants of the two associations, to arrange and perfect the work. With this pledge in remembrance and the insufficiency of the old building, tested by experience, could we, as faithful agents, hesitate on what to resolve.

Having determined on removal and erecting another house, the best means to effect this object next engaged the attention of the Board.

It would require $15,000 to defray the contemplated expense, and to raise so considerable a sum by donation from the friends of the Institute, would require time almost equal to indefinite postponement in its consequences. An incorporated Joint Stock Company, empowered to hold property and erect such a building as the Trustees desired, was thought to be the most feasible plan Many persons would take stock in such a company, upon condition of receiving 6 per cent. interest on their investment, who would not make a donation of their money. Twenty-five dollars having been determined on as the value of each share, an agent was sent out, and in a few months ten thousand dollars were entered on his books as subscription for stock in the company. In August, 1851, the company, having been organized and a building committee appointed, a contract was made with Mr. A. G. Jones for the erection of an edifice 106 feet long by 46 wide, four stories high. The contractor was to furnish the entire material to complete his job, (save the hot air furnaces, blinds and lightning rods) to do do the work, and receive as compensation $11,267, when the building was delivered. After several important alterations and improvements on the original plan, the building was completed and occupied for scholastic purposes, on Nov. 3d, 1852; the contractor receiving from the board of builders $15,724.73, instead of the sum originally agreed on.

We annex a statement of expenditures, made for the benefit of the Institute, that all interested may learn its present financial condition:

Paid for house and lot originally bought	$1,225.00
Paid for new site for Institute	1,120.00
Paid for new edifice erected	15,724.73
Paid for blinds to edifice	455.00
Paid for hot air furnaces, No. 5	600.00
Paid for pipe to hot air furnaces	130.00
Paid for paints, oils, labor &c	340.00
Paid for crown on new building	80.00
Paid for lightning rods and conductors	350.00
Paid for out-buildings and fences	1,300.00
Paid for desks, tables &c., for school rooms	439.00
Paid for cases for books and apparatus	160.00
Paid for wages and board of architect	150.00
Paid for labor in removing rubbish	100.00
Paid for fire engine and hose	125.00
Paid for pumps; labor &c	100.00
Paid for commissions paid 1st agent	1,660.00
Paid for salary paid J. S. Reynoldson	1,200.00
Paid for furniture bought of M. R. Fory	2,160.73
Paid for musical instruments from do.	2,083.00
Paid for chemical and philosophical instruments	1,500.00
Paid for books, stationery &c	496.04
Paid for private account of M. R. Fory	2,503.59
	$34,002.09

Amount brought over	$34,002.09
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By sums collected and paid out	18,500.00
Due on notes of Trustees	$15,502.09
Notes in hand and available	2,477.00
Net sum due and unprovided for	$13,025.09

The Rev. M. R. Forey resigned his position as Principal, to take effect August 1. 1854, and thus it became necessary to increase considerably the indebtedness of your Board of Trustees, to purchase his household furniture, musical instruments, chemical and philosophical apparatus, books and stationery and other articles. He was succeeded by Rev. William Hooper, L.L.D., who is aided by a learned and experienced faculty of gentlemen and ladies.

We here give a faithful expose of the present financial condition of the Institute, showing an indebtedness beyond its present available means of $13,025.09, which is but small when compared with the strength of the two associations—its originators. We have here an institution belonging to the two, diffusing daily its blessing, inestimable in their character, to the denomination and its friends, upon which $34,002.09 have been expended to make it worthy of your patronage. We owe a few thousand dollars, but what is this to the Chowan and Portsmouth Association, with their eighteen thousand communicants and a host of friends, when they know the debt was contracted to organize and arrange a school equal to all their wants. Here a southern parent or guardian can safely place a daughter or ward for education, and not feel that he, by his patronage, is fattening those whose sympathies for his slave are greater than their respect for the rights of the master. Here the mind of the pupil is free from influences leading it to look on the religion of the Baptist as only suited to ignorance and superstition; and here all in connexion enjoy advantages, under the faithful culture of our learned and experienced faculty, equal to those found in any other Female College of our country. What parent or guardian, then, connected with the Chowan and Portsmouth Association can hesitate to encourage, yea, anxiously to sustain their own Institute, who has a daughter or ward to educate?

The Board of Trustees feel it due to the school and your own interest to appeal to the members of the two associations, and the friends of education, not only for further contributions to extinguish the debt now existing, but also to enlarge the facilities for accommodation in the boarding department. The present building, though 106 feet long and four stories high, cannot accommodate all seeking admission into the school. We have about 100 in connection this session, and not more than 80 boarders can be received in the house. A considerable number are thus compelled to encounter the wet and cold of winter and heats of summer in passing from their boarding houses to the school room. As your representatives, we say to you, our work cannot be perfected until you enable us by your liberality to accommodate all committed to our care, within the walls of our Institute, where they will be constantly under the supervision of the faculty. The stately walls and enlarged accomodations of a rival college, in full view of us, urge, from motives of emulation if none other, to enlarge ours, and make it, in all respects, as comfortable as a habitation. We ask your assistance.

The Board of Trustees have determined to keep the rates of board and tuition in our school within the reach of all disposed to prosecute a course of liberal study there.

For a full English course, without music	$37.00
Music with English branches	83.00
English, Music and one ancient or modern language	97.00
English, Music, Language, Painting &c	115.00

These are the charges for a scholastic year of ten months, but does not embrace board, which will be furnished at $11 per month, including washing, lights, fuel &c.

We are but your representatives in supervising the school and have no greater pecuniary interest in its success than other members of the two associations. If you desire still further to perfect your college, *give it your patronage*, and cheer us in our labors of love, for it is our only compensation, by the interest you manifest in the success of your own undertaking.

By order of the Board.

G. C. MOORE, *Chairman.*

C

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

It gives your committee pleasure to state, that the present state of Wake Forest College is one of unusual prosperity. About one hundred students have been entered during the term now in session, sixteen of whom are preparing for the Gospel Ministry. The corps of instruction consists of six gentlemen, all, with one exception, graduates of that Institution, making the ratio between teacher and pupil, one to sixteen. Since the last session of the association a department of agricultural chemistry, has been created, in connection with this college, the duties of which are discharged by Prof. Wm. Gaston Simmons Prof. W. M. Wingate, for the current term, presides over the Faculty with satisfaction and success. While gratified to report facts so encouraging, we regret to state that Wake Forest is still without an adequate endowment. Only fifty thousand dollars have been yet secured to that Institution, and from much of this the college can realize but little present benefit, since the major part of it has been raised by the plan of scholarships. One hundred thousand dollars is the amount proposed to be raised, and even that sum, we apprehend, will be insufficient to accomplish all the improvements contemplated by the Board. New Buildings should be erected, new professorships should be endowed, and a theological department established, where our young ministers may be fitted for the work of the Lord, and be saved to our own state. Richmond College, Va., has an endowment of one hundred thousand dollars. Furman University a still larger amount. Mercer University, Georgia, one hundred and twenty thousand dollars endowment. The Baptists have an endowed college at Jackson, Mississippi, and are now endowing their institutions in Texas, Tennessee and Kentucky. Our State University at Chapel Hill has a hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Davidson College, by the liberality of the Presbyterian Church and Maxwell Chambers, of Salisbury, is now worth three hundred thousand dollars. The Legislature of Virginia appropriates to her State Institution fifteen thousand dollars annually; South Carolina, fourteen thousand to her college at Columbia. Harvard University is worth, exclusive of buildings, library and grounds, five hundred and twenty thousand dollars; Union, six hundred thousand; and, in fact, no college in these United States is or can be permanently prosperous that is unendowed. Our colleges must be endowed or the rate of tuition be raised, and a liberal education thus placed beyond the reach of the poor.

Endow Wake Forest College and, like Oxford of England, venerable by an existence of a thousand years, it will be a temple of light, learning and piety, to glorify God and bless humanity so long as the civil institutions of this land remain.

T. H. PRITCHARD.

D

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

This Institution has been in existence for many years, dispensing the blessings contemplated in its organization. To promulgate in foreign lands the plan of redemption to fallen man, and to open the eyes of the blind within our own borders, to the marvellous light and liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, are the primary objects to which its labors have been directed. The more effectually to consummate this desired end, the funds of the convention, contributed by the different churches throughout the length and breadth of the State, thus concentrating their resources, are expended in the education of young men devoting themselves to the work of the Lord, in the ministration of his word, who come recommended to its patronage by the churches of which they are members. Wake Forest College, the child of the Convention, receives its fostering care, and is now a powerful instrument in the hands of the Lord for effecting great good among us. From her halls yearly come forth young and zealous heralds of the cross, to proclaim from the battlements of our Zion, the news of redeeming grace and dying love.

The Convention was organized for a three-fold purpose: to prepare an efficient ministry and to disseminate the truths of the gospel, at home and abroad; objects of such prominence as to engage the attention of this association, and command the sympathies of the members of the Church, in every section of the State. To urge the claims of this institution upon a body such as this, second to none in the State, in the number of its churces, or the pecuniary ability of those here represented, would seem to be unnecessary and uncalled for, and your committee, therefore, say no more than to earnestly recommend that this association be largely represented in the convention, and that renewed efforts be made to effectuate the objects of its organization.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. MANNING, *Chairman.*

E

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Committee on Periodicals beg leave to report:

We regard it of great importance that the members of the churches be well instructed in what is transpiring in the religious world, and especially among the churches of our own order, so that they may be prepared to embrace opportunities of doing good, as well as to shun error. The idea of the Bible being our only standard has had the effect with some of creating a distaste for subscribing for and reading periodicals. This is to be regretted. The historical part of the New Testament gives a brief account of the churches then in existence; but shall we not desire to have some intelligence from the churches now in existence, formed according to the divine plan given us in the N. Testament? This intelligence can be obtained through our periodicals. And, besides mere intelligence of this character, there is much benefit to be derived in other respects.

We, therefore, recommend to our brethren the Biblical Recorder, *first in importance*, as the organ of the churches in the State. We also recommend the Home and Foreign Journal, as the organ of missionary intelligence, the American Baptist Memorial, and the Baptist Preacher, as worthy of patronage and meeting great demand; and subserving good purposes, and the Southern Baptist Review, which treats more largely on subjects of vital importance to our churches.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. J. LANSDELL, *Chairman.*

F

REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF CHURCHES.

The committee to whom was referred the letter of Brother S. T. Bond in regard to the condition of the church at Edenton, and the cases of other churches needing aid, beg leave to report:

1. The church at Edenton presents to us a subject worthy of our sympathies and best efforts in her behalf. She is of long standing, has stood many a trying scene and severe shock, and has struggled hard to maintain an existence in the midst of the most inveterate opposition from surrounding religious sects. She is now without a regular pastor, and unable to secure the services of one competent for the place, because unable to support one. In this condition she appeals for help. The only question with us is– is she worthy of our help? To this there can be but one answer. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the Association on Home Missions be, and they are hereby instructed to assist the church at Edenton as liberally as they can, consistent with other obligations.

2. We recommend that collections be taken up in the various churches of this association, by the respective pastors of the same, for the benefit of the church at Corinth, and the amounts be forwarded to Dr. G. C. More, St. Johns, Hertford County, N. C., during the month of July.

3. We recommend the church at Powell's Point to the care of the Executive Committee on Home Missions of the association.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. J. LANSDELL, *Chairman*.

G

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee have reason to apprehend that the paramount importance of this auxiliary of the church is not sufficiently appreciated by our brethren generally The statistics before us evince this fact. This is deeply to be regretted, and ought if possible, to be remedied. There is no more unequivocal evidences of the present prosperity of a church, and certainly no more encouraging indication of its future progress than the existence within its limits of a flourishing and well sustained Sunday School. To the prosperity of such a school a systematic organization is absolutely indispensable; and to secure this more perfectly, your committee beg leave to recommend the appointment of some brother whose experience and ability might qualify him for the work, whose duty it should be to visit the several churches to assist in the establishment of Sunday Schools where none exist at present, and the re-organization of such as are now in operation, but apparently, unfortunately, inefficient. Your committee believe that the adoption of this, or some similar plan, would very much increase the efficiency of this department of christian effort, and thus conduce materially to the prosperity of the church.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. S. HENSON, *Chairman*.

H

REPORT ON INDIAN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Indian Missions beg leave to report:

That such is the importance with which it is invested, we cannot give a fair presentation of it in the limits allowed here. It commends itself to the good people of the United States, not only the Christian, but the patriot and philanthropist.

It is doubtless a duty we owe to God, and to the Indians as fellow immortal beings, to put forth a determined effort to ameliorate their condition—political, moral and religious. It is said they are degraded: yes, many of them are in the lowest scale of civilization, morals and intellect, and treat their females as slaves, or rather, in common with most other heathen, as beasts of labor and burden! And will not these facts plead eloquently for their reformation? They will with the good and true.

The questions, may be, have been frequently asked—Can they be reformed? Can they be induced to regard and practice the arts and customs of civilized life? Will they receive the gospel of the blessed Redeemer? In answer, we have but to point you to the Cherokees, Choctaws, and Creeks and others, with their cultivated fields, their towns, schools, government, churches, Christians! to contrast the present with their condition half a century ago, and bear in mind that most of this is the result of missionary labor.

Judging of the future by the present and the past, your committee feel assured that, under God, all that is necessary to bring about similar, nay, much greater results among all the tribes on our borders is to have a sufficient number of self-denying men—spirits who, like Paul, are willing to count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ. We need missionaries and teachers, and the free-will offerings of those who are now comfortable, opulent in the possession of the Indian's former home, and exjoying to so great an extent the blessings of our benificent Creator. In view of their proximity, we must regard them not as belonging to the foreign field of our labors, but as coming within the immediate range of our home mission operations—as constituting a component part of our country population—a link between the Home and Foreign. A fact worthy of notice is, that in prosecuting missionary labor amongst them, we have not to contend with some of the superstitions and prejudices found amongst the heathen of the old world. Many, if not the most of them, are not idolaters; hence, they will more readily acknowledge the true God and bow at Messiah's throne.

While but little, comparatively, has been done, in order to the civilizing and Christianizing the Indians, such have been the blessings that have crowned the efforts already made, we have abundant and sure promise of success when we shall put forth energies commensurate with the importance of the work. In conclusion, your committee beg leave to offer and request the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That we hail with joy the period in prospect, when a more determined effort shall be put forth for the civilization and Christianization of the Aborigines of North America, through which, with the divine blessing, their wilderness and solitary places shall be glad for them, and their desert rejoice and blossom as the rose.

F. H. CROCKET, *Agent & Chairman.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized	Rec'ed by letter.	Restored.	Dism'd by letter	Excommu'cated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minutes Fund.	Days of meeting	Sund'y Schools	Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	Vols. in Library
Ahoskie	A. J. Askew, W. W. Mitchell, J. S. Godwin,	25	2	1	2	2	5	350	60	410	3.00	4	1			
Ballard's Bridge	D. V. ETHERIDGE, R. D. Simpson, C. Pearcy,	32	1		12	3	16	412	108	520	4 00	2	3	13	77	270
Bethel	Q. H. TROTMAN, S. Sutton, W. Felton,	1	12			2		235	33	268	3.00	1&3				
Bethlehem	JAS. DELK, H. M. Jones, D. Harrell,	1	6	5			7	148	50	198	3.00	2	1	7	50	100
Buckhorn	T. D. Vann, B. Moore, J. B. Jenkins,	24	2			1		86	42	128	2.00	2	1			
Capeheart's	W. Pearce, H. WHITE, M. J. Culifer	13			1	2	5	254	144	368	2.50	1&2				
Cashie	J. S. Taylor, T. Watson, W. Folk,	8	1	1	5	1	10	207	160	367	3.00	1				
Coleraine	J. NOWELL, E. Wilson, Joseph Smith,				51	7	21	326	228	554	3.00	3				
Connaritsa	E. HANCOCK, *W. Dunning*, W. T. Sharrock,		3	1	5	3	4	237	52	289	2.50	3				
Cool Spring	H. Carter,* W. K. Cross,* J. M. Parker,	1			6	4	2	187	18	205	2.00	3				
Corinth	John Vann, B. Lassiter, M. Brewer,	32	9					49	9	58	1.50	3				
Ebenezer	G. W Burnham, E. Britte, J. H. Overton,*	53			2	5	11	74	47	121	1.50	4				
Edenton	C. Manning, J. White, M. G. McDowel,		1	1	4	1	7	67	71	238	2.00	1&3	1	12	40	300
Elizabeth City	J. J. LANSDELL, R. Simpson,* M Sanderlin,	82	7		7	9	4	410	27	437	3.00	ALL	1	25	108	87
Gatesville	S. W. WORRELL, R. Hoffler, H. Hoffler,*	29	3					48	24	72	2.00	2				
Great Fork	O. P. Savage, A. R. Collins, D. Brown,	8	1			2	1	155	28	183	1.50	3				
Hertford	R. Felton, C. W. Skinner, M. O. Jordan,	34	16		6		2	40	17	57	2.00	ALL	1			200
Holly Grove	J. S. Mitchell, M. Todd,* W. J. Freeman,					1		38	31	69	1.50	4				
Lebanon	J. Hoffler, W. Spright,* J. Overman,*							28		28	1.00	2				
Macedonia	W. LEARY, P. F. White, T. Copeland,	22				2	1	59	5	64	1.00					
Mars Hill	B. B. WILLIAMS, D. P. Evans, W. Miller,	7	47			1		50	3	53	1.00	1&4				
Meherrin	S. J. Wheeler, T. J. ROCHELL, W. H. Parker,	22			2	4		181	100	281	3.00	1				
Middle Swamp	H. SPEIGHT, W. Riddick,* W. E. Matthews,	2	2		27	1	1	110	103	213	2.00	2				
Mt. Carmel	K. Stephenson, W. J. Taylor, J. Fleetwood,	14	2		10		12	95	233	328	2.50	4				
Mt. Tabor	R. B. Cobb, John Gatling, Wm. Darden,	30	2	1	1		4	144	37	181	3.00	4				
Murfreesborough	W. HOOPER, P. S. Henson, B. A. Spiers,				9			46	41	50	2.50	ALL	1	7	46	200
Piney Grove	E. D. B. Howell, F. H. Cobb, Jas. P. Howell,					1		109	76	185	2.50	4				
Pleasant Grove	G. C. Moore, W. W. KONE, J. Taylor,				15	3	1	50	20	70	2.00	1				
Pleasant Plains	J. Mizell, Henry Modlin,	31	1			7	4		160	160	1.50	1				
Potecasi	N. Blanchard, M. E. Cooke, H. C. Edwards,	1	1		12	3	3	234	48	282	2.00	2				
Powell's Point	J. Berry,* S. Woodhouse,* D. S. Doudy,*	10	1				3	33	5	38	1.00	4				
Providence	No letter statistics, as per last report							69		69						
Ramoth Gilead	J. Carver,* T. B. Williams, S. F. Overman,	3			7	1		89	95	184	3.00	1				
Republican	S. BAZEMORE, J. BUNCH, C. Pritchard,	3				3	2	137	46	183	2.00	2&4				
Roanoke Island	A. TWINE,* W. Barnett,* D. Meekins,*			2		2	3	109	37	146	1.00	1&3				100
Robert's Chapel	J. B. Barnes, S. Edwards, J. Atkinson,	49						160	52	212	2.00	3				
Rocky Hock	J. B. WEBB, H. Bass, R. R. Felton,			1	7	4	4	140	8	148	1.50	1	1	11	79	200
Ross' M. H	M. Hughes, M. L. MEZELL, A. Mezell,					4	3	300	51	351	2.50	1				200
Salem	J. Banks,* B. Berry,* A. Fletcher,*	16	1	1	1		6			89	1.50	3				
Sandy Cross	N. O. Wade, W. H. Manning, W. Parker,	9			15	7	4	272	62	334	3.00	1	2	20	100	600
Sandy Run	A. M. CRAIG, H. Page, W. H. Lee,	14	1		10	1		80	95	175	2.00	4				
Sawyer's Creek	F. B. Grandy, W. D. Pritchard, M. S. Boushall*		1			3	4	200	34	234	3.00	4	2	18	97	200
Shady Grove	J. B. Jones, C. Mathias,					11		112	3	115	2.00	2				
Shiloh	Thos. Palmer,* T. B. Berry,* J. Watston,*	18		6		4	12	327	75	402	3.00	1				
Vassers' M. H	R. W. DELBRIDGE, R. Taylor, W. Castarphue,*	6				1	1	54	31	85	1.00	2				
Whiteville Grove	J. White, W. C. Simpson, G. W. Simpson,	13	7			1	4	67	4	77	1.50	2				
Yoppim	T. WAFF, W. Banbury,* J. T. Waff,	3	1	1		1	1	88	9	97	1.00	2&4	1	7	32	160
47 Churches.		606	141	21	229	108	154	6960	2545	10057	98.00		16	120	629	2517

* Absent. Ordained Ministers in SMALL CAPITALS. Licentiates in *Italics*.

MINUTES

OF THE

Fiftieth Annual Session

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

SAWYER'S CREEK, CAMDEN CO., N. C.,

May 15---19, 1856.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

SAWYER'S CREEK, Camden Co., N. C.,
Thursday, May 15, 1856.

The Introductory sermon was delivered by Elder John L. Pritchard in the absence of Elders Craig and Kone appointed to that service. The text was selected from Romans 3: 21—26.

After a brief intermission, the delegates were called together. Prayer was offered by Elder J. J. Lansdell.—Brother A. J. Askew was appointed Assistant Clerk.

Letters from the churches were called for and read. Brethren W. W. Mitchell, E. D. B. Howell and T. B. Gatling sat to receive contributions.

The list being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

A letter from a new church at Berea, Pasquotank Co., was handed in, asking admission into this Association. The petition was referred to Elders Forbes, Lansdell and Trotman, who reporting favorably on the constitution, order and articles of the said church, she was received into our Union, the Moderator extending to the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

Visiting brethren in the ministry were invited to seats; the following were recognised, viz: Elder J. P. Tustin, Cor. Secretary of Southern Baptist Publication Society; Elder G. W. Bradford, Agent of Foreign Mission Board; Elder John L. Pritchard from the Union Association; Elder G. W. Huntly, Agent of the Bible Union; Elder John Mitchell, Agent of Wake Forest College; Elders J. L. Gwaltney and J. D. Elwell from Pamlico Association; Elder T. H. Pritchard from Tar River Association; Elder A. McDowell, Professor in Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

Bro. Guilford Lewis was accredited as a corresponding messenger from Tar River Association, and Agent of Wake Forest College.

On motion, Brother James Delk, Principal of the Reynoldson Institute, was invited to a seat.

A letter of correspondence from the Union Association, with copies of their minutes were laid on the table.

Minutes of the Pamlico Association, containing a letter of correspondence, were handed in, and the letter read.

Minutes of the Portsmouth Association were laid on the table, and a letter of correspondence therein contained was read.

Elders Trotman, Lansdell and Nowell were appointed a committee of Arrangements.

The Pastor and Deacons of this church with Elder Lansdell were apppointed a committee on religious exercises.

On motion, the Association adjourned to 9 A. M. tomorrow. Prayer by Elder McDowell.

Elder J. L. Gwaltney of Greensville preached in the Baptist church at Elizabeth City at candle-lighting.

FRIDAY, May 16.

The Association met. Prayer by Elder J. B. Webb.

Elders J. J. James and J. S. Purify were recognised as visiting brethren and invited to seats.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

On C. F. C. Institute—Brethren McDowell, Stallings and Askew.

On Reynoldson Institute—Brethren Delk, Howell and Worrell.

Committee of Arrangements reported; the report was received and committee discharged.

Committee on Home Missions reported; report was received and committee discharged.

Committee on C. F. Collegiate Institute reported; report received, and committee discharged. Pending the discussion the Association took a recess for dinner. On re-assembling the report was received and committee discharged. See letter A in appendix.

A subscription was made in the Association of $1100.

Resolved, That Elder Trotman be appointed Agent of the C. F. Collegiate Institute; that the churches which he has engaged to serve, be requested to release Elder Trotman, and that the Portsmouth Association be requested to appoint one of her ministers to operate in her bounds, and make an effort to raise during the present year the sum of ten thousand dollars in aid of the Institute.

The Committee on Chowan Reynoldson Seminary re-

ported. Report was recommitted to the committee and the following members were added to it, viz: E. Felton, S. T. Bond, H. M. Jones, E. Ferebee. It was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be presented to the churches which Elder Trotman has engaged to serve, for their relinquishment of his services, that he may engage in the service of the C. F. C. Institute.

Committee on Finance made the following Report:

Amount in the Treasury,.....		$118 51
Present contributions,.....		97 00
		215 51
CONTRA.		
Printing Minutes of 1855,.....	$63 43	
Transcribing same,.....	25 00	88 43
Amount in the Treasury,.....		$127 08

The following committees were then announced:

On W. F. College—T. H. Pritchard, W. H. Manning and A. Thomas.

On Baptist State Convention—J. J. Lansdell, S. T. Bond, H. M. Jones.

On Southern Publication Society—J. D. Elwell, J. P. Tustin, J. B. Webb.

On Foreign Missions—G. W. Bradford, R. Simpson, R. Felton.

On Periodicals—T. Waff, D. V. Etheridge, R. W. Delbridge.

On Sunday Schools—John Mitchell, W. J. Taylor, J. Freeman.

On the Bible Union—G. W. Huntley, T. Hoggard, E. Forbes.

The Association adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder Worrell.

Services were conducted at the stand to-day by Elders Purify, T. H. Pritchard and Bradford. At candle-lighting by Elder James in the Baptist church in Elizabeth City; at Camden C. H. by Elder Gwaltney, and at Sawyer's Creek church by Elder Tustin.

SATURDAY, May 17.

The Association met. Prayer by Elder J. L. Pritchard. Roll was called.

Committee on Chowan Reynoldson Seminary reported. Report adopted, and committee discharged. See B in Appendix.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be held with the church at Colerain, to commence on Tuesday before the 3d Lord's day in May, 1857. Elder Trotman to preach the Introductory and Elder Leary the alternate.

WHEREAS, There seems to be some obscurity in regard to the qualifications of membership in this Association:

Resolved, That those alone can be recognised as members of this body who are in good standing in the churches which certify in their letters, their appointment as delegates—except in churches, where the membership is composed entirely of colored persons, in which case the delegates may be white persons of good standing in churches contiguous to such colored churches.

Brethren J. B. Morgan, Stallings and Henry Gatling were appointed a committee for the relief of the Chowan Reynoldson Seminary.

Elders Trotman, J. L. Pritchard and Tusten were chosen to preach on Lord's day.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported. Report received and committee discharged. See C in Appendix.

The Association took a recess for dinner.

On reassembling, the following brethren were appointed the standing committee on Home Mission, viz: S. W. Worrell, C. W. Skinner, John Nowell, W. W. Mitchell.

Corresponding delegates to other Associations were appointed as follows, viz:

To the Portsmouth Association; Elders Howell, Speight, Hooper, Trotman and Worrell.

To the Union Association; Elders Craig, Kone and Thomas Hoggard.

To the Pamlico Association; Elders Worrell, Etheridge and Webb.

To the Tar River Association; Elders Leary, Lansdell and Hancock.

The committee on Southern Baptist Publication Society reported; report received and committee discharged. See D in Appendix.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare a general letter of correspondence, and append it to the Minutes.

The committee on the N. C. Baptist State Convention reported. Report received and committee discharged. See E in Appendix.

Committee on Relief of Chowan Reynoldson Seminary reported that they cannot recommend the assumption of the liabilities contracted by the Trustees at present, but recommend that they send an agent to operate among the

churches to collect funds. Report received and committee discharged.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported; report received and committee discharged. See F in Appendix.

Committee on Periodicals reported; report received and committee discharged. See G in Appendix.

Committee on Bible Union reported; report received and committee discharged. See H in Appendix.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported; report received and committee discharged. See I in Appendix.

After the usual vote of thanks, the Association adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk.

List of Elders or Bishops in the Chowan Association.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor,
2 Abner Berry, North West,
3 Jeremiah Bunch, Windsor,
4 A. M. Craig, Hotel,
5 James Delk, Pitch Landing,
6 R. W. Delbridge, Ryland's, Va.,
7 D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's B'dge,
8 Evan Forbes, Camden C. H.,
9 E. Hancock, Pitch Landing,
10 David Harrell, Windsor,
11 W. H. Hardee, Jackson,
12 T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing,
13 John N. Hogwood, Murfreesborough,
14 E. Howell, Reynoldson,
15 Wm. Hooper, Murfreesboro,
16 J. J. Lansdell, Elizabeth City,
17 West Leary, Edenton,
18 M. L. Mizells, Windsor,
19 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro,
20 Barnabas Nixon, Edenton,
21 John Nowell, Ccleraine,
22 Edward Pierce, Plymouth,
23 Thomas H. Pritchard, Hertford,
24 J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro,
25 Henry Speight, Gatesville,
26 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville,
27 Levi Thorn, Edenton,
28 Q. H. Trotman, Hertford,
29 A. Twine, Powell's Point,
30 Thomas Waff, Edenton,
31 Henry White, Merry Hill,
32 H. J. White, St. John's,
33 John B. Webb, Edenton,
34 B. B. Williams, Coleraine,
35 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville.

List of Licentiates.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton,
2 W. H. Bunch, Windsor,
3 Ephraim Bunch, Mintonsville,
4 Willie Dunning, Roxobel,
5 John P. Lee, Murfreesboro,
6 Griffin F. Jones, Forestville,
7 Ira Odom, Pitch Landing,
8 Thomas Pittman, Faisonsville,
9 Abram Pruden, Gatesville,
10 Exum Stevenson, Jackson,
11 David Thompson, Windsor,
12 Dossey Sanderlin, Tull's Creek.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by letter.	Excomm'cated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie.....	A. J. Askew, W. W. Mitchell, John S. Godwin,*....	27	5	5	3	3	4	366	64	430	3 00
Ballard's Bridge,.....	D. V. Etheridge, R. D. Simpson, J. Satterfield,.....	22	2	1	5	2	9	419	120	539	4 00
Berea,.....	E. Forbes, S. Wood, S. F. Overman,.....	8						38		38	1 50
Bethel,.....	Q. H. Trotman, E. Felton, S. Sutton,.....	24	3	1	2	6	15	255	33	288	3 00
Bethlehem,.....	Thomas Hoggard, Abram Thomas, H. Jones,.....	28	7		7			170	153	223	3 00
Buckhorn,.....	T. D. Vann,* J. W. Worrell,* Jos. Jordan,*.....	6			3		1	84	47	131	2 00
Capeheart's, ...	Statistics as per last returns,.....							254	144	368	
Cashie, ...	David Harrell,* W. R. Swain,* T. Gilliam,*.....	9	1		2	3	8	209	160	369	3 00
Coleraine,.....	John Nowell, John Perry, John Wilson,*.....	32	7	3	8	9	26	341	212	553	3 00
Conaritsa,.....	*Willie Dunning*,* W. T. Sharrock, J. Jenkins*.....	20	2	3	4	2	2	244	55	299	2 50
Cool Spring,.....	*A. Pruden*, W. H. Cross, J. M. Parker,.....		1			7	1	179	18	197	2 00
Corinth, ...	Henry Gatling, J. W. Pledger, S. L. Lassiter,.....	21	20			5	2	76	13	89	2 00
Ebenezer,.....	J. N. Overton, W. W. Sawyer, J. S. Jones,.....	8				2	3	86	47	133	1 50
Edenton,.....	L. Thorn*, C. G. Manning, S. T. Bond,.....	6	5	6	1	6	2	69	171	240	2 00
Elizabeth City,.....	J. J. Lansdell, James M. Morgan, James Scott,.....	31	3		39	19	15	345	44	389	3 00
Gatesville, ...	S. W. Worrell, J. R. Hoffler, Asa Hill,*.....	18			1	1	1	46	42	88	2 00
Great Fork,.....	R. R. Savage, J. S. Pierce, A. R. Collins,*.....	9	1			3		157	31	188	1 50
Hertford,.....	R. Felton, M. O. Jordan, James Newbold,.....	3	2					65	6	71	3 00
Holly Grove,.....	James S. Mitchell, W. J. Freeman, M. A. Rayner,*...	17				1	2	50	33	83	1 50
Lebanon,.....	J. W. Hoffler, J. Overman, J. Spivey,*.....	2					2	30		30	1 00

Macedonia,	W. Bonner, P. F. White, J. Moran,		2		1	4		51	4	55	1	00
Mar's Hill,	B. B. Williams, J. Green, D. P. Evans,	16	1		2	1		64	4	68	1	00
Meherrin,	S. J. Wheeler, Horace Parker, C. H. Wall,	9	6		2	3	2	183	198	291	3	00
Middle Swamp,	H. Speight, W. Riddick, W. E. Matthews,		3	3		2	5	70	72	142	1	50
Mt. Carmel,	W. J. Taylor, S. Pruden, S. Stephenson,*	18	1		6	4	15	98	219	317	2	50
Mt. Tabor,	*J. P. Lea*, A. J. Cobb, T. H. Bass,	10	1		8	1	4	150	32	182	3	00
Murfreesborough,	L. T. Spires,* B. A. Spires, J. H. Lassiter,*	5	2		5			47	5	52	2	00
Piney Grove,	E. Howell, E. D. B. Howell, J. D. Goodman,*		3		2	1	3	96	57	153	2	50
Pleasant Grove,	G. C. Moore, W. W. Kone,* J. W. Moore,	8	3	4	2	2		57	24	81	2	00
Pleasant Plains,	Henry Modlin,* Joseph Mizells,	26		1	13	6	1		180	180	1	50
Potecasi,	N. Blanchard, T. B. Gatling, H. C. Edwards,*	4	1	1		2	5	218	49	267	2	00
Powell's Point,	W. D. Chadwick, D. L. Doughtie, W. S. Harrison,	13	1	1		1	1	42	7	49	1	00
Providence,	B. Morgan, J. S. Dey, G. L. Brockett,	8	4			2	5	67		67	1	00
Ramoth Gillead,	J. D. Stokely, J. B. Williams, A. Spence,	2			6	5	6	79	87	166	2	00
Republican,	W. H. Bunch, C. Pritchard, J. D. Groves,	23		1	3	4	2	155	43	198	2	00
Roanoke Island,	A. Twine,* E. Meekins, J. L. Barnett,*		1	1		6	1	103	37	140	1	00
Robert's Chapel,	S. Edwards, J. Atkinson,* W. Boone,*		2			3		149	56	205	2	50
Rocky Hock,	J. B. Webb, F. Bunch, *H. Bass*,	19	7	1	3	5	6	154	7	161	1	50
Ross' M. H.,	A. S. Mizells, W. H. Hughes, D. D. Hughes,	31	1	4	1	5	1	330	52	382	2	50
Salem,	A. Hallowell, A. Fletcher, S. B. Pendleton,	6			1	1	4	79	8	87	1	50
Sandy Cross,	W. Stallings, W. H. Manning, E. Bunch,							261	69	330	3	00
Sandy Run,	E. Hancock,* J. Harrell,* W. J. Cox,*	10	2		2		1	81	78	159	2	00
Sawyer's Creek,	F. B. Grandy, W. D. Pritchard, E. Ferebee,		1		8	6	4	183	31	214	3	00
Shady Grove,	*D. Sanderlin*, C. Matthias,* D. West,	2	1		3	5	4	103	3	106	2	00
Shiloh,	B. Barco, S. W. Sawyer, T. Palmer,					4	7	316	75	391	3	00
Vassers',	R. W. Delbridge, W. Carstarphen, R. W. Taylor,*	4			1		2	56	28	84	1	00
Whiteville Grove,	J. White, W. C. Simpson, J. R. White,	21	6			1		93	4	97	2	00
Yoppim,	T. Waff, W. Benbury, J. Pratt,		3	1	2	4	6	78	9	87	1	00
48 churches,	*Absent. Ordained ministers in small caps, Licentiates in *Italics*.	542	104	38	141	145	175	3678	2834	9512	92	50

APPENDIX.

[A.]

Report on the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

Your committee take pleasure in stating that the present condition of the Institute, taken in connection with its previous history, affords the most gratifying assurance that it has a hold upon the affections and the confidence of the people which constitutes the best guarantee for its future success and permanent prosperity. Those who are at all conversant with the history of schools, are aware that very little things are frequently sufficient to impair public confidence and turn the tide of patronage into other channels, and that when a school has thus suffered in public estimation, it is extremely difficult to regain its former position. Such a misfortune has recently befallen your Institution; and for a time it afforded ground for apprehension that the prosperity of the school would be seriously effected. During the winter preceding the last, the imperfect warming of the college edifice and the consequent suffering from cold induced the reasonable apprehension that the heating apparatus was inadequate to the proper warming of the Building. The result of which was a great falling off in the number of pupils during the last winter. Your committee are happy to state however that the experience of the past winter has proved the apprehension entirely unfounded. Under the management of the present efficient steward, the building has been kept perfectly comfortable during the coldest weather. And the large increase of patronage on the return of spring has proved that the public confidence has not been materially impaired. About ninety pupils have been entered since the opening of the session and upwards of eighty are now in attendance.

The means of instruction have been increased during the year by some important additions to the already ample Apparatus of the Institution. All the departments of instruction are filled by well qualified and faithful teach-

ers, who have been constantly at their posts ; uninterrupted good health has prevailed among the pupils, and nothing has occurred to mar the harmony or efficiency of the Institution.

Another important object has been partially achieved during the present year. The grounds of the Institute have been beautifully laid off under the direction of a professional landscape gardener and partly set out with forest trees aud ornamental shrubbery.

The liberality with which contributions have been made to this object by the few friends to whom it has been presented, affords gratifying evidence of the interest they feel in it, and it is hoped that the means will soon be secured for completing the work which has been thus successfully commenced.

Finally your committee are of opinion that public confidence has been fully restored, and that a large increase of patronage may be confidently expected during the next scholastic year. Respectfully submitted.

A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

[B.]

Report on Chowan Reynoldson Seminary.

The committee on Chowan Reynoldson Seminary beg leave to submit the following Report :

We are pleased to be able to congratulate its friends on the prosperity that has attended the Institution under the fostering care of your body.

We regret however, to suggest the inexpediency of the recent action of its Board of Trustees, in endeavoring to convert the school, from the plan originally contemplated, to a College.

While it may accomplish much good as a preparatory school, we are satisfied of the inexpediency of the new feature.

We therefore recommend that the Institution continue its operations under the name and style of Chowan Reynoldson Seminary. Respectfully submitted.

J. A. DELKE, Chairman.

[C.]

Report on Wake Forest College.

With unfeigned gratitude to God, your committee would report the continued prosperity of our beloved institution, and would bespeak the earnest prayers of this body in its behalf, that the spirit of the Lord may rest upon both Faculty and students, and make them blessings to their generation. Since the last session of this Association no change has occurred as to the corps of instruction. There is no President in the usual sense of the term, indeed many of the Board of Trustees are opposed to the principle of clothing any individual with superior power, and conferring upon him superior emolument. Imitating the plan adopted by the University of Va., the Board have appointed Prof. W. M. Wingate the Executive officer of the Faculty. The remaining five officers are *in statu quo.* The agent whose pleasure it was to present the College before this body last May, resigned last November, and in his room Elder John Mitchell, an alumnus of the Institution, was appointed. He is the more heartily commended to the favorable reception of the brethren, inasmuch as he is a son of the Association, and after an absence of three years has returned to labor for the interests of Christ in his native state. 'Tis needless to enter into the *rationale* of an endowment, or to adduce arguments to demonstrate its necessity. Suffice it to say that no institution can be permanently prosperous without an Endowment, according to the present rates of tuition.

Why be forever doing a good thing? If the Lord be God let us serve him, nor can we render Him more effectual worship, than to endow our College, and sanctify it by our prayers and tears to His service.

T. H. PRITCHARD, Chairman.

[D.]

Report on the Southern Baptist Publication Society.

The committee to whom were referred the claims of the Southern Baptist Publication Society, beg leave to report:

That this Society during the brief period of its history of only nine years, has proved to be of first rate importance in maintaining the interests of a Baptist, a Southern, and a general religious literature. It is the proper

organ for originating and diffusing a religious and denominational literature which would otherwise never be called into existence, or if produced at all, would be merely local and fugitive. This Society is properly the medium and outlet for developing the writing talent of our ministry and membership in the Southern country.

As a fountain of supply, and an agency for scattering religious publications, it is the cheapest and most practicable organization which can exist, for meeting the wants of our Southern people, great in numbers when taken in the aggregate, but yet thinly scattered over our wide agricultural territories. Such an institution is especially needed as a censor and guardian for the books which may be offered to our denomination, and to the reading public of the South. It is a gratification to know that the Depository or distributing department of this Society is in a high degree of efficiency; and compares well with similar institutions in the Northern States, or in other countries.

The great necessity of the Publication Society is the strengthening of its Publishing department. This has never received the means for its adequate support, which its friends contemplated in the beginning of the Society, and which the denomination should have supplied to it several years ago. Within the current year an effort has been commenced for endowing the Publishing department, with $25,000, and about three-fourths of that sum are now secured on valid pledges and bonds, on condition that the whole amount is subscribed by the first of June, 1856.

As the North Carolina Baptist Publication Society, by its own constitution, and by sundry acts, is an auxiliary to the parent Southern Society located in Charleston, and as whatever promotes the interest of the general Society is sure to act directly upon all auxiliary Societies, and upon the welfare of the denomination at large, your committee feel constrained to present the claims of the Southern Baptist Publication Society to this Association, with a view of obtaining such aid and co-operation as may be afforded at this session of the Association, for the important endowment movement which must be ratified now in a few days, or otherwise the measure so nearly perfected, may entirely fail. Respectfully submitted.

J. D. ELWELL, Chairman.

[E.]

Report on N. C. Baptist State Convention.

The committee on the Baptist State Convention, beg leave to report:

We regard the Convention as holding a very important and indispensable relation to various objects of christian benevolence now engaging the attention of the churches of Christ. These objects are Home and Foreign Missions, and the education of the rising Ministry.

In regard to all of these objects, this Association feel no indifference. The Convention, we are happy to know, has been the means of supplying many destitute sections of our State with the pure word, but there are still other places which are left destitute, and which cannot be supplied only through the Convention. This we believe, is so obvious to all who are at all acquainted with the history of our operations as to need no elucidation. And the same fact is pre-eminently true in regard to the other objects of the Convention.

In regard to education, we are happy to learn that the Convention is now doing more in that department than at any previous time since its formation. This we take as an omen of future good, to meet the demands of the times. There are now nine young brethren at Wake Forest College under the care of the Board of the Convention.

In view of all the facts connected with the Convention, and in consideration also of the desirableness to know what is being done by the churches in our State in the above named departments of christian benevolence,

Resolved, That the committee on Home Missions of this Association be requested to report to the Convention the amount of money collected and expended by them, and the amount of labor performed by the missionaries in their employ, also that the clerk of the Association report to the Convention the amounts contributed by the churches of this Association for Education and Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That ten delegates be appointed to represent this Association in the next session of the Baptist State Convention.

J. J. LANSDELL, Chairman.

[F.]

Report on Foreign Missions.

CHRISTIAN BRETHREN: The death wail comes to us from multitudes, in heathen lands, that are perishing for lack of the bread of life. It is supposed, that there are seven

hundred millions of precious souls on our globe, destined to stand in the judgment, who have never heard the name of Jesus, the only Savior.

Have they no claims upon us, as christians, to send them the Gospel? The Master has said, "Go ye into *all* the world, and preach the gospel to *every* creature."

It is the pleasant duty of the agent of the Board of Foreign Missions to state the fact, that so far as he has been able to visit the churches in the Association, they have manifested a spirit of noble liberality, in their subscriptions for Foreign Missions. And if all the churches do the same when called upon, (paying promptly) the Chowan Association, will set an example, worthy of imitation, by all the disciples of Christ, throughout the christian world.

In conclusion, your committee would recommend the adoption of the plan suggested in the letter from the Yeopim church, for raising funds systematically, for all benevolent purposes. G. BRADFORD, Chairman.

[G.]

Report on Periodicals.

Your committee on Periodicals report, That from the increased facility in printing, Periodicals have become in this our day, the great medium and channel through which religious knowledge is spread in the world, and particularly so in our free and happy land, affording to all who desire it, increased knowledge with the times, of the progress of our Lord's kingdom and doctrine. Such being the design and tendency of these organs of communication, it would be but reasonable to conclude that every disciple of Christ would feel anxious for their sustenance, and active in promoting their circulation. And if any one religious body of people have necessity laid upon them from heaven above another, we ask who are they if not the Baptists (immersed believers in Christ.) They as a people standing in the world by no other authority than the God of heaven, from the days of John the Baptist (immerser) through the Messiah and his Apostles in every century to our day, advocating religious liberty of conscience given to every man, acknowledging the authority of God alone upon the conscience religiously, denying the authority and power from every other source

whether it be from State, Religious councils, or their heads the Popes. May it not in truth be said here lays the great necessity upon Baptists of keeping the truth of God pure in the world. Here then we would say while there are many religious periodicals, it behooves us to be vigilant in supporting those only whose design and tendency is to protect and advance these two vital points, i. e., religious liberty and the pure religion of Christ in the heart. There being many such periodicals with which brethren are acquainted, we deem it unnecessary to say more, only that we call special attention to the Home and Foreign Journal and Biblical Recorder—these being the channel of communication more directly within our Associational bounds, and should be effectually sustained.

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS WAFF, Chairman.

[H.]

Report on the Bible Union.

Your committee on the American Bible Union report, that they have carefully and prayerfully examined the object, plans and operations of the Union, and believe the work in which it is engaged, to be of the greatest magnitude and importance. Its object is to give the sacred scriptures originally written in the Hebrew and Greek languages in the most faithful versions that can be procured in all languages throughout the world. In the carrying out of this object, the Union has already done much for the cause of pure versions among the various nations of modern Europe, and has been engaged for several years in revising our own common English Version. In the work of revising the English Scriptures, the Union has in its employ over forty scholars ecclesiastically connected with nine different religious denominations; and to aid them in their work it has collected a library of more than three thousand volumes of rare and costly books. The work of revision is progressing as rapidly as could be expected.

The New Testament is already revised in manuscript form and has passed through the several revisions by the various scholars engaged in the work, and will be published soon after the meeting of the whole college of revisors in October next. Portions of the old Testament

have also been revised. The portions of the revised Scriptures that have been published have received the highest encomiums from the best scholars in this country and England. The work is rapidly gaining the confidence and the affections of the people,—but the Union still needs the aid and prayers of all the friends of a pure Bible. We confidently hope that the time is not far distant when we shall have as faithful a translation of the Holy Scriptures in our own language as fallible men can make. Respectfully submitted.

G. W. HUNTLEY, Chairman.

[I.]

Report on Sabbath Schools.

Your committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to submit the following report: Sabbath Schools has not received in our Association, that attention which its importance demands. We regret to learn that many of our churches are still without a Sabbath School. Consequently many children, even of Baptist parents, instead of going up to the Sunday School to learn of Jesus, are found visiting and sporting on the Lord's day. This is not training children in the way they should go.

In youth impresions for good or evil, are more easily made than in after years, and they are also more lasting. Hence the importance of early instruction, of training the child.

Your committee believe that a good Sabbath School in every church would be an efficient auxiliary in our christian efforts, and they would earnestly recommend to all our churches now destitute the importance of establishing and sustaining a good weekly Sabbath School.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN MITCHELL, Chairman.

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

	SUPERS.	SCHOLARS.	TEACHERS.	VOLS.
Ballard's Bridge,	J. H. Garrett,	40	8	240
Edenton,	T. L. Foxwell,	43	17	250
E. City,	J. M. Morgan,	99	20	200
Great Fork,	O. P. Savage,	61	13	
Murfreesborough,	B. A. Spires,	30	6	250
Pleasant Grove,	A. J. Perry,	35	10	173
Providence,	G. L. Brockett,	32	14	150
Roanoke Island,				100
Rocky Hock,	H. Bass,	90	12	200
Sawyer's Creek,	T. J. Etheridge,	40	10	400
Yoppim,	J. T. Waff,	32	7	180
Sandy Run,				100

Report on Home Missions.

Your Home Missionary committee immediately after the adjournment of our last Association engaged the services of Elders John B. Webb, Daniel V. Etheridge, R. W. Delbridge and E. Hancock to itinerate in different parts of the Association during the Associational year.

Elder Webb has traveled 780 miles, preached 23 sermons, delivered 18 exhortations, baptized 39 persons, was engaged 50 days, received $28.88, expenses $1.35, leaving a balance due him of $22.47.

Elder Etheridge was engaged 56 days, traveled 1166 miles, preached 50 sermons, baptized 23, received $40.81, expenses $3.14, leaving a balance due him for missionary services $18.33, also $50 for services rendered to the church at Powell's Point, in aid of that church in procuring his services as pastor.

Elder Delbridge was engaged 49 days, preached 24 sermons, delivered 14 exhortations, traveled 432 miles, baptized 45 persons, received $29.95, leaving an amount due him of $19.05.

We have not heard from Elder Hancock since his appointment. Our total indebtedness, $109.85, has been liquidated. We have not learned what amount the church in Edenton requires (if any) to make up their deficiency for the pastoral services of Bro. Thorn. We have appropriated One Hundred Dollars for their benefit.

All of which is respectfully submitted by the

COMMITTEE.

STATISTICS OF BENEVOLENT EFFORT IN CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Bible Cause.	Education.	Aid to other churches.
Ahoskie,	6 68				
Ballard's Bridge,	18 00	85 00			
Bethel,		200 00	100 00		
Bethlehem,	7 00				
Buckhorn,	7 50			7 50	
Capeheart's,					
Cashie,					
Cole Rain,	10 00				
Connaritsa,	12 40				
Cool Spring,	5 00				
Corinth,	6 00				
Ebenezer,	5 00	26 00	138 00		
Edenton,					
Elizabeth City,		59 85	100 00	10 62	2 50
Gatesville,					
Great Fork,		8 00			
Hertford,	10 00	85 00	252 00		2 25
Holly Grove,	8 00				
Lebanon,					
Macedonia,					
Mar's Hill,	3 00				
Meherrin, (for Convention $10),	8 00	85 00	75 00		
Middle Swamp,	5 00		66 00		
Mt. Carmel,	25 95				
Mt. Tabor,	10 00				
Murfreesboro,	10 00	50 00			
Piney Grove,					
Pleasant Grove,	9 55				
Pleasant Plains,					
Potecasi,	6 00				
Powell's Point,					
Providence,					
Ramoth Gilead,	10 30	4 50			
Republican,	12 50	12 50			
Roanoke Island,					
Robert's Chapel,					
Rocky Hock,	8 00	5 00			
Ross' M. H.,	5 00				
Salem,	5 00				
Sandy Cross,	6 00				
Sandy Run,					
Sawyer's Creek,	7 69	190 00	139 00	510 00	
Shady Grove,					
Shiloh,					
Vassers' M. H.,	6 00				
Whiteville Grove,	5 00				
Yoppim,	8 00				
	278 19	809 85	850 00	528 12	4 75

OBITUARY NOTICES.

Elder Lemuel Sanderlin.

The subject of this obituary was born in Camden county, North Carolina, December, 1794. When he was only four years old his father died, leaving him an orphan, to be reared by others. He was taken charge of by his uncle, who became his guardian, under whose care he was taught habits of industry. He received what might be termed a liberal English education.

At the early age of twenty [1814], he was married to Miss Elizabeth Slack of his native county, who, as well as himself, had a good estate; but by bad management and prodigality, in three years' time they were entirely destitute, and with an increasing family. In this condition they moved to Tennessee and settled near Murfreesborough, and Mr. Sanderlin engaged in teaching an English school for a living, which business he followed nearly his whole life afterwards. While in Tennessee he became deeply impressed with his awful condition as a sinnner exposed to ruin. He was much wrought on. His convictions were pungent. He prayed, he sought, he agonized. But for the space of about six months the heavens seemed as brass, and his heart remained unchanged. At length, however, he trusted his guilty soul in the hands of the sinner's Friend, and realized that peace which is unspeakable and full of glory. He was born of the Spirit—created anew in Christ Jesus unto good works. He then united with a Methodist Society, and soon became a "local preacher." The cause of his uniting with the Methodists was not that he believed their doctrines and usuages entirely answerable to the Scriptures, but because he was repulsed in that direction by Antinomian sentiments which prevailed in some Baptist churches contiguous; and of the

two evils he chose Methodism in preference to Antinomianism.

In 1842 he visited his native county, and finding there a people answerable to the apostolic patern, he united with them according to the divine injunction. He was immersed into the fellowship of the church of Christ at Sawyer's Creek, April, 1842. Thus this man of God, by surrounding circumstances, was for a number of years restrained from complying with a positive gospel institution, and deprived of fellowship in the church of Christ. A short time after this event he returned to his family in Tennessee, where he continued about two years, then, with his family, returned to his native county in N. C., to spend the remainder of his life among his friends and relatives, and amidst the scenes of his childhood and early life.

Mr. Sanderlin was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry the session of the Chowan Association convened at Capeheart's Meeting House, May, 1844. He soon found that he was in the midst of conflicting doctrinal sentiments, even among his own brethren. The insidious errors of what is commonly known as Campbellism were then making rapid advances, and seemed likely in some places to supplant those wholesome doctrines of the gospel which had been held by Baptist churches from time immemorial. Too much importance was wont to be attached to the externals of religion, to the great detriment of the doctrines of grace in the influence of the Spirit in regeneration. In Elder Sanderlin was found a firm opposer to the errors of Campbellism, and an unyielding advocate of the old line faith. He was not carried about by every wind of doctrine, but contended earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints.

He was successful in winning souls to Christ. There was a power in his preaching which took hold of the hearts of sinners, and there was an unction from the Holy One, which made stout hearts bow to the Lord Jesus

Christ. There are now living many seals to his ministry, who are striving in the good way of salvation.

Elder Sanderlin was pastor at different times during his ministry of the churches at Elizabeth City, Shiloh, Providence, Shady Grove, North West, Va., Black Water, Va., besides labors bestowed on other churches in the Chowan Association. But his labors are now over, and his works follow him.

He was twice married. His first wife died about 1837, leaving nine children. He afterwards married Miss Mary Ann Whitehurst, who, with several children, is left to mourn the loss of him who was ever kind and affable, and ready to administer to the wants of those who were committed to his care.

Elder M. W. Jones.

The subject of this obituary was born in Camden county, N. C., in the year 1799, and, like many others of his time, grew up to years of maturity without the advantages of an education, except perhaps so much as merely to enable him to read English with some degree of distinctness, and surrounding circumstances were such, after he had grown up, as not to impel him to seek mental cultivation, and the cast of his mind was not such as to thrust him forward in the acquisition of knowledge ; nor indeed had he the means, had he possessed the disposition, to have enabled him to spend much time at school. His was the task of manual labor.

He was brought to realize his need of a Savior, and was, it is confidently believed, made a subject of saving grace at about the age of 22 years, [1821], and was immersed into the fellowship of the church of Christ at Salem. After his union with the church, he grew in grace, and his soul touched with the hallowed flame of love di-

vine, burned with intense and ardent desire for the salvation of his fellow man. About eight or nine years after his uniting with the church he began to exercise in public, but was not ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry until the year 1841.

Elder Jones, after his ordination, became pastor of the church at Shiloh, and preached for various other churches within his reach. In his preaching he was warm and urgent, always showing that he was truly in earnest in whatever he said. He was not what might be deemed a systematic preacher. He was not so well adapted to instructing his hearers as to arousing them, by exhortation, to the discharge of those obligations into which they were already instructed. His preaching was often attended with a good effect.

He had some peculiarities which rendered him unpopular with some as a man, yet very few doubted his piety. Especially was he held in high esteem for piety by his brethren. And it was his uniform exemplary conduct as a christian which gave more force to his public ministrations than any power of mind which he possessed.

He was plain and unassuming both in his person and manners, and temperate and industrious in his habits. He endeavored to provide well for the real wants of himself and family, but cared as little, perhaps, as most any other man for any thing like worldly distinction. It was but a small pittance which he received from the churches that he served; consequently to provide for the temporal wants of his family occupied nearly the whole of his time. He was more familiar with the implements of husbandry than with books and papers. He read very little but the Bible. From that he drew his religion—from that he drew the message of salvation, which he presented to his congregations in the simplest and most unassuming manner and style.

Elder Jones died on the 16th day of April, 1855, in the full triumphs of the faith of that gospel which it had been

his privilege to preach for a number of years, leaving a widow and two sons: but their loss is his gain. "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his."

Omission.

The amount of the collection on Sunday is not given, the Clerk having omitted to furnish it in the proceedings.

Rec'd July 1857

MINUTES

OF THE

Fifty-first Annual Session

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

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S. J. WHEELER, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

COLERAINE, N. C., May 12th, 1857.

The Introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Thos. H. Pritchard, in the absence of Elders Trotman and Leary apointed to that service. The text was selected from Matthew 10: 31—"Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing," &c. Subject, the special providence of God.

After an intermission of thirty minutes, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer was made by Elder Kone. Bro. S. T. Bond of Edenton, was appointed Assistant Clerk.

Letters from the churches were called for and read.—Brethren W. W. Mitchell, R. D. Simpson, and Britton Moore sat as a committee to receive contributions.

The list being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was chosen Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats; the following were recognized, viz: Elder George W. Bradford, Agent of the Board of Foreign Missions; Elder L. M. Berry, Agent of the Domestic and Indian Mission Board; and Elder Reuben Jones, from the Portsmouth Association.

Minutes of the Pamlico Association were presented to the Association, and a letter of correspondence therein was read.

Petitionary letters from newly constituted churches at Hebron, county of Northampton, New Hope in Gates, and White Oak in Bertie, were presented and read.

The petition from Hebron was referred to Elders J. N. Hogwood, T. Hoggard and J. B. Webb; that from New Hope, to Elders Worrell, Leary, and Webb; and that from White Oak, to Elders Bunch, Harrell, and T. Hoggard.

The committee on the petition from Hebron reported favorably, and motion made for the reception of the church into the Association. Pending this motion, an interesting discussion took place. The Association being satisfied, however, that the church had been constituted

on the faith and order of this body, as set forth in the Articles adopted by the Convention of 1849 at Woodville, the motion was carried, the church received into the union, the delegates receiving the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

The Association then adjourned until 9 A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder Lansdell.

WEDNESDAY, May 13.

The Association assembled. Prayer by Elder J. B. Webb. The roll was called.

The committee on the petition of the church at New Hope for admission into the Association, reported favorably; the church was received, the delegates came forward and were welcomed into our union, receiving the right hand of fellowship.

Committee on the petition from the new church at White Oak reported favorably; the church was received, and the delegates received the right hand of fellowship.

Elder John Mitchell was recognized as Agent of Wake Forest College; he and brother James A. Delk were invited to seats.

The committee of Arrangements reported.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be held with the church at Great Fork, Nansemond county, Va., to commence on Tuesday before the 3rd Lord's day in May, 1858.

Elder J. J. Lansdell was chosen to preach the Introductory sermon, and Elder Jno. N. Hogwood in case of failure.

The committee on Home Missions reported; report received and ordered to be printed. See appendix A.

The following committees were then appointed:

On Home Missions—Brethren S. Worrell, W. W. Mitchell, C. W. Skinner, W. W. Kone.

On Domestic and Indian Missions—Brethren Kone, Pittman, and S. T. Bond.

On Foreign Missions—Brethren Askew and R. Felton.

On Wake Forest College—Brethren T. H. Pritchard, Etheridge and Leary.

On Publications—Brethren C. G. Manning, J. W. Hoffler, H. Speight.

On Chowan Fem. Col. Institute—Brethren Hooper, Askew, and J. W. Barnes.

On Reynoldson Institute—Brethren W. H. Manning, Worrell and Webb.

On N. C. B. S. Convention—Brethren Lansdell, Elwell, and Sanderlin.

On Sunday Schools—Brethren A. J. Askew, J. S. Tayloe, and J. Bunch.

On Bible Cause—Brethren A. W. Darden, J. S. Mitchell and Sutton.

On Obituaries—Brethren Wheeler, Jno. W. Moore and Waff.

On State of the Churches—Brethren W. D. Pritchard, Delk and Williams.

The Association took a recess of 40 minutes.

On re-assembling, the committee on the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported. Report received and committee discharged. See letter B in appendix.

Resolved, That we have heard of the affliction of our brother, Q. H. Trotman, with regret; and that we sincerely sympathize with him.

Resolved further, That our thanks are tendered to him for his faithfulness and perseverance in discharge of the duties assumed at our request, and pray God to give him health and strength to accomplish the work upon which he is now engaged.

Resolved further, That we request his continuance in his present position until the work assigned him is completed.

The committee presented the following report on Finance:

Amount in the Treasury,		$127 08
Present conributions,		103 00
		230 08
CONTRA.		
Printing Minutes of 1856,	$65 00	
Transcribing same,	25 00	90 00
Balance in the Treasury,		$140 08

The committee on Publications reported. Report received, and committee discharged. See C in appendix.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the committee on Home Missions be instructed to withdraw the funds belonging to Home Missions, now in bank at Windsor, and deposit it together with the surplus now on hand in the Savings Bank.

The Moderator was requested to write a letter of correspondence, to be printed with these Minutes.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 9 A. M. on to-morrow. Prayer by Elder D. Harrell.

THURSDAY, May 14.

Association met. Opening prayer by Elder Etheridge. Roll called.

The committee on Domestic and Indian Missions reported. Report received. See appendix, letter D.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported. Report received. See appendix, letter E.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported. Report received. See appendix, letter F.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported. Report received. See appendex, letter G.

Association took a recess of thirty minutes.

On re-assembling, the committee on the Chowan Reynoldson Seminary reported. Report received. See letter H in appendix.

Contribution for the N. C. Baptist State Convention, after the sermon by Elder R. Jones, amounted to $51 50.

Resolved, That we still deprecate (as at our last session) any change of name or object contemplated originally in the establishment of the Chowan Reynoldson Seminary, as we desire to act in concert with, and auxiliary to Wake Forest College.

Resolved further, That if said School should be changed into a College, every object originally contemplated by our Association having been disappointed, and our wishes set at naught, we can have no longer any connexion with this Institution and so announce to all interested.

The committee on the N. C. Baptist State Convention reported. Report received. See letter I in appendix.

The committee on the Bible Cause reported. Report received. See letter J in appendix.

The committee on the State of the Churches reported. Report received. See letter K in appendix.

Delegates were appointed to corresponding Associations as follows:

To the Portsmouth Association; Elders Trotman, Delk, Howell, McDowell, Pittman and Kone.

To the Union Association; Elders Hooper, T. H. Pritchard, and Worrell.

To the Pamlico Association; Elders Lansdell, Speight and Etheridge.

To the Tar River Association; Elders Kone, Howell and Webb.

The ordained ministers were appointed delegates to the next session of the N. C. Baptist State Convention.

Resolved, That the committee on Home Missions be instructed to appropriate an amount sufficient for the securing a minister for the Church in Edenton; and such churches as may be unwilling to aid that church, can indicate the same in their letters.

Resolved, That our thanks are hereby tendered to the members of the church at Coleraine and the citizens around for the generous hospitality with which they have entertained the members of this Association.

Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized to have 2500 copies of these Minutes printed and distributed by mail to the churches.

The committee on Pulpit Supplies reported as follows:

Elder A. R. Collins,	Tuesday	at 2 p. m.,	in the Grove;
" Bradford,	"	7 1-2 p. m.,	in Coleraine;
" Elwell,	Wednesday,	11 a. m.,	in the Grove;
" Lansdell,	"	2 p. m.	" "
" Bradford,	"	4 p. m.	" "
" R. Jones,	"	7 1-2 p. m.,	in Coleraine;
" R. Jones,	Thursday,	11 a. m.,	in the Grove;
" L. M. Berry,	"	3 p. m.,	" "

On motion, the Association adjourned. Praise and prayer by Elder R. Jones

Thus terminated one of the most harmonious, agreeable, and effective sessions ever held by the Chowan Association.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by letter.	Excomm'icated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie,.....	A. J. Askew, John S. Godwin, W. W. Mitchell,....	12		2	15	6	8	353	60	413	3 00
Ballard's Bridge,.....	D. V. ETHERIDGE, R. D. Simpson, Henry H. Hobbs,.	30			5	2	12	437	109	546	4 00
Berea,.....	Miles Whitehurst, Saml. F. Overman, S. Wood,....	4	7					49		49	1 50
Bethel,.....	Whitaker Myers, B. W. Thatch*, Samuel Sutton,....	15	1	1	11	5	8	245	35	280	3 00
Bethlehem,.....	JAMES DELK, THOS. HOGGARD, John Baker,.....	1		1	6		4	166	53	219	3 00
Buckhorn,.....	J. W. Barnes, T. D. Vann*, Britton Moore,.....	2			2		2	85	44	129	2 00
Capeheart's,.....	HENRY WHITE, M. G. Gullipher, F. Hoggard,.....	119	3		3	4	3	283	187	470	2 50
Cashie,.....	D. HARRELL, J. S. Tayloe, Thomas Gilliam,.....	10			13		10	181	163	344	3 00
Coleraine,.....	Zach. Ellyson, Etherton Wilson, John Wilson,.....	29	5		5	5	11	362	204	566	3 00
Conaritsa,.....	*Willie Dunning*, Asa F. Early, J. L. Bender.....	1	3	3	5	4	7	233	54	287	2 50
Cool Spring,.....	*Abram Pruden**, James Carter, Willie Cross,*.....			3		3	4	173	18	191	2 00
Corinth,.....	Henry Gatling, Elias Bracey, Wm. H. Skiles,.....	41	9			2		104	35	139	2 00
Ebenezer,.....	James N. Overton,* W. W. Sawyer, J. Eason,.....	31	2	1		7	4	97	56	153	1 50
Edenton,.....	C. G. Manning, S. T. Bond, T. L. Foxwell*,.....	4	1		6	1		67	168	235	2 00
Elizabeth City,.....	J. J. LANSDELL, James M. Morgan, C. S. Sanderlin,	31	7	3	15	21		303	45	348	3 00
Gatesville.....	S. W. WORRELL, Hance Hoffler, Asa Hill*,.....	24	5		22	2		57	27	78	2 00
Great Fork,.....	R. R. Savage, *A. R. Collins*, O. P. Savage*,.....	11			1	2	3	155	38	193	1 50
Hertford,.....	T. H. PRITCHARD, Richard Felton, C. W. Skinner,..		4			2	2	30	29	59	3 00
Hebron,.....	Isaac O. Outlaw. Henry Modlin, J. A. Stevenson,..	35	22					55	2	57	
Holly Grove,.....	J. P. Freeman, James S. Mitchell, William Rayner,	1	2			1	3	51	31	82	1 50

Lebanon,	*J. W. Hoffler*, J. T. Overman, E. Blanchard*,					1		31		31	1	00
Macedonia,	West Leary, Peter F. White, Wm. H. Bonner,	8	1	3	2		1	60	5	65	1	00
Mar's Hill,	B. B. Williams, I. F. Williams, William Miller,	15			2	1	5	73	4	77	1	00
Meherrin,	S. J. Wheeler, W. H. Parker, Horace Parker,	19	2		4	3		188	108	296	3	00
Middle Swamp,	H. Speight, Wilie Riddick*, J. A. Roundtree,	24		2	6	4		85	72	157	1	50
Mt. Carmel,	Green Stancill, *E. Stephenson*, Jackson Allen*,	2				1	10	210	96	306	2	50
Mt. Tabor,	Wm. Dunning, R. B. Cobb, A. W. Darden,	11			7		3	140	35	175	3	00
Murfreesborough,	A. McDowell*, J. H. Lassater, B. A. Spires,		2		2			46	5	51	2	00
New Hope,	H. W. Parker, Thomas E. Cross,*									26	1	50
Piney Grove,	Edw. Howell*, James P. Howell, W. Gatling	7			1	1	3	92	58	150	2	50
Pleasant Grove,	W. W. Kone, G. C. Moore, J. W. Moore,	8	1	1	1	1	1	59	28	87	2	00
Pleasant Plains,	Joseph A. Mizzell, *Ira Odom*,			3	3	9	3			169	1	00
Potecasi,	George D. Holloman, H. C. Edwards, N. Blanchard,	21		3	18	4	1	211	54	265	2	00
Powell's Point,	No letter. Statistics as per last Report,							42	7	49		
Providence,	Caleb Bell*, John Jones*, Joseph B. Morgan*,	40	8	1			4	91		91	1	00
Ramoth Gilead,	Almond Spence, T. B. Williams*, M. W. Buffkin,		30	3	5	5		88	101	189	2	00
Republican,	D. Peele, Calvin Pritchard, Wm. Spivey*,	12	2			9	3	159	41	200	2	00
Roanoke Island,	Abram Twine*, Wm. Hays*, E. Meekins*,	14		1	2	13	2	103	40	143	1	00
Robert's Chapel,	Isaac Baughm, James Atkinson, W. Boone,	28	1	1	3		7	168	55	223	2	50
Rocky Hock,	J. B. Webb, Frederick Bunch, R. R. Felton,		1		5	2	4	144	7	151	1	50
Ross' M. H.,	Robt. Smith*, Miles Hughes, Kader White,	8		1	5	1	5	310	28	338	2	50
Salem,	H. Delon*, J. D. Mackum*, G. W. Pendleton*,	24	1			3	7	85	11	96	1	50
Sandy Cross,	Q. H. Trotman*, W. Stallings*, W. H. Manning,	44	4	2		2	2	300	78	378	3	00
Sandy Run,	W. H. Lee, E. Hancock, T. Pittman,	41	3	1	2			121	83	204	4	00
Sawyer's Creek,	W. D. Pritchard, F. B. Grandy, W. B. Ferebee,	153	6	10	1	2		317	54	371	3	00
Shady Grove,	*D. Sanderlin*, C. Matthews, B. C. Walker,	10			2	3	2			107	2	00
Shiloh,	Baily Barco*, Thos. Palmer*, L. Stephens,*	49	5	3	1		12	369	79	348	3	00
Vassers'	R. W. Delbridge*, R. W. Taylor§, W. Carstarphen§,	3					2	56	29	85	1	00
Whiteville Grove,	Joshua White, E. Riddick§, G. W. Simpson,	34	2		1	3	2	120	3	123	2	00
White Oak,	Frank W. Ward, N. Davis, Jno. T. Skiles§,									22		50
Yoppim,	Wm. Benbury§, John Bonner, Joseph T. Waff,	36	7		3	1	5	98	22	120	1	00
51 churches.	* and § Absent. Ordained ministers in SMALL CAPS, Licentiates in *italics*.	1012	157	50	185	133	171	7477	2481	9958	100	00

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor,
2 Abner Berry, North West,
3 Jeremiah Bunch, Windsor,
4 A. M. Craig, Hotel,
5 James Delk, Pitch Landing,
6 R. W. Delbridge, Ryland's, Va.
7 D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's B'ge,
8 Evan Forbes, Camden C. H.,
9 E. Hancock, Pitch Landing,
10 David Harrell, Windsor,
11 W. H. Hardee, Jackson,
12 T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing,
13 John N. Hoggard, Murfreesborough,
14 E. Howell Reynoldson,
15 Wm. Hooper, Murfreesboro',
16 W. W. Kone, Murfreesboro',
17 J. J. Lansdell, Elizabeth City,
18 West Leary, Edenton,
19 M. L. Mizells, Windsor,
20 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro',
21 Barnabas Nixon, Edenton,
22 John Nowell, Coleraine,
23 Edward Pierce, Plymouth,
24 Thomas Pittman, Faisonsville, Virginia,
25 W. D. Pritchard, Camden C. H.
26 Thomas H. Pritchard, Hertford,
27 J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro',
28 Henry Speight, Gatesville,
29 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville,
30 Levi Thorn, Edenton,
31 Q. H. Trotman, Sunsbury,
32 A. Twine, Powell's Point,
34 Henry White, Merry Hill,
35 John B. Webb, Edenton,
36 B. B. Williams, Coleraine,
37 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville,
38 H. J. White, St. Johns?

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton,
2 W. H. Bunch, Windsor,
3 Ephraim Bunch, Mintonsville,
4 A. R. Collins,
5 F. R. Hoffler, Sunsbury,
6 A. Hallowell, Newbegun Cr'k,
7 Willie Dunning, Roxobel,
8 John P. Lee, Murfreesborough,
9 Griffin F. Jones, Forestville,
10 Ira Odom, Pitch Landing,
11 Abram Pruden, Gatesville,
12 Exum Stevenson, Jackson,
13 D. Sanderlin, Tull's Creek,
14 David Thompson, Windsor.

APPENDIX.

[A.]

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The committee on Home Missions beg leave to make the following report: During the session of the last Association, your committee engaged the services of Elders J. B. Webb, D. V. Etheridge and B. B. Williams, to operate as Missionaries in the bounds of the Chowan Association during the Associational year. After which, Elder J. B. Webb, having been called by other churches to take the pastoral charge, and accepting the call, was prevented from operating as a Missionary during the past year.

Elder Etheridge reports as having been engaged 38 days, travelled 700 miles, preached 25 sermons, delivered 8 exhortations, baptized 5, received $25.80, expended $4.00; leaving a balance due him, as missionary, $8.20.

Elder B. B. Williams reports, also, as having been engaged 122 days, travelled 1451 miles, preached 72 sermons, delivered 20 exhortations, baptized 21, received $24.70, expended $1.58; balance due him as missionary, $98.88. Also $50, paid Elder Etheridge for services rendered to the church at Powell's Point, in aid of that church in procuring his services as pastor. Our total indebtedness of $157.08 has been liquidated. And we, as the Home Missinary Committee, do most earnestly request every pastor in the bounds of this Association, to lay the claims of the Home Missionary cause before their churches and congregations during the next Associational year, and urge upon them to send up liberal contributions to the next Association, so that there may be more Missionaries in the field, that the word may be preached at every destitute point in the bounds of this Association. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

S. W. WORRELL, Chm'n.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS AT THE ASSOCIATION, 1857.

Pleasant Plains, $5.00; Mt. Carmel, 9.66; Ebenezer, 5.00; Cool Spring, 5.00; Corinth, 6.00; Shady Grove

5.00; Potecasi, 5.00; Holly Grove, 8.00; Piney Grove, 15.65; Sandy Run, 10.00; Sandy Run, [1856,] 10.00; Capeheart's M. H., 5.00; Sawyer's Creek, 10.43; Bethlehem, 7.00; Yoppim, 8.00; Macedonia, 4.66; Hertford, 10.00; Rocky Hock, 6.00; Mt. Tabor, 11.25; Ballard's Bridge, 10.00; Whiteville Grove, 5.00; Sandy Cross, 10.00; Coleraine, 10.00; Hebron, 5.50; Ahoskie, 12.30; Meherrin, 5.00; Murfreesboro', 6.00; Pleasant Grove, 8.50; Gatesville, 5.00. Total $213.95.

[B.]

REPORT ON CHOWAN FEMALE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

The committee on the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute respectfully report:

We are happy to report so prosperous and satisfactory a condition of this Seminary, so cherished in your affections as the nursery of the minds of your daughters. The number of students during the collegiate year has been 94. The health of the young ladies, in general, is remarkably good, and their habits orderly and studious. During this spring, we are happy to report, a considerable religious influence arising among the students, and resulting in a happy change in character and conduct of some among them. Some twelve or more are looking forward to baptism.

The Literary and Scientific Departments are well filled and the duties satisfactorily discharged. The same may be said of the Departments of ornamental education. The Steward and Stewardess have given general satisfaction, and make every effort to do their duty faithfully both in keeping the building comfortable and in supplying the table: and moreover, manifest a friendly and cordial kineness to the young ladies. The Matron, also, has fulfilled her part with great fidelity, and proved herself a true and affectionate friend to her young charge.

We think the patrons of the school have every reason to be encouraged and to put confidence in the Institution. That its numbers have not equaled what they once were, is not to be wondered at, considering the late erection of another similar Institution in the same village, and of various others in different parts of the country. We re-

joice to hear that the collecting Agent of the Institute has been so successful, and that he speaks so hopefully of the final completion of the undertaking on which his heart is set; namely, the complete liberation of the establishment from its debt. The other pressing want of our Institute, namely, the *enlargement of our accommodations*, it is sincerely hoped the Portsmouth Association will provide for.

The particular accommodations desirable now are these;

1. The erection of a kitchen and dining-room distinct from the main edifice. This will exclude the process of cooking from the basement, and give us the use of those large rooms for the teaching department.

2. The provision of more domitories. It is exceedingly desirable that the pupils should not be too much crowded. The high and airy situation of the dormitories secures sufficient ventilation, but with an increase beyond our present number, there would not be room for comfort and convenience, unless the young ladies were to board in town, which our experience has taught us is an inconvenience and loss to the students, weather and other circumstances often interfering with their attendance and with the progress of their studies.

3. The erection of a building or buildings for the accommodation of the teachers. We need not tell fathers and mothers of families how much better it is to have their daughters under the care and tuition of heads of families than of young unmarried persons, who can feel no permanent interest in the Establishment. And yet the present building was never intended to accommodate families. The inconveniences to which the present families are put by straitened room are many and embarrassing. Were not the present occupants of our family rooms a band of christian brethren and sisters, who feel bound to make sacrifices and submit to inconveniences for the common cause, complaints and discontents would have driven valuable teachers from our walls. We hope these statements will stimulate the zeal and liberality of our Virginia brethren to put us in possession of these most wished for improvements. Respectfully submitted.

W. HOOPER, Chairman.

[C.]

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

The committee on Publications beg leave to make the following report: We first recommend that the Biblical Recorder should be taken by every Baptist family, and liberally sustained by every Baptist, as it is the only organ of Baptists in the State. Also, the Home and Foreign Journal should receive the patronage of every Baptist and every lover of the cause of Missions, as it is a medium by which we obtain a knowledge of the proceedings and progress of the Foreign and Domestic Missions. We also recommend all the works of the Southern Baptist Publication Society, at Charleston, S. C., and those of the South-Western Baptist Publication Society in Nashville, Tennessee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. G. MANNING, Chairman.

[D.]

REPORT ON DOMESTIC AND INDIAN MISSIONS.

The committee to whom was referred the subject of Home and Indian Missions beg leave to report their entire approbation of the ardent efforts of the Southern Board of Home and Indian Missions to furnish the destitute parts of the southern wing of our great Confederacy with the Gospel of the grace of God. The Board has over one hundred Missionaries who are pressing on in their arduous toils with a success that fully compensates them, and are every year adding new laurels to their wreath of joy. The forests of the red-man are penetrated, and light is shining on the pathway of the aboriginal tribes. To them the Gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation. Civilization and domestic economy, the invariable handmaids of christianity, now bless the home of the native tribes of our beloved America.

Your committee express their regret that they have not been able to procure any information of a statistical character touching the operations of the Board. Their Agent is now among us, and we heartily recommend him to your body, and to the friendly notice of all our people.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. W. KONE, Chairman.

[E.]
REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

BRETHREN—The field for missionary effort is spread out before us in its great destitution, demanding our prayers, sympathies and contributions, to accomplish the design of the Redeemer in giving his life for a lost world. The Enterprize is one requiring the aid of every lover of Jesus, in sending the word of life to the perishing millions of earth. Thus, while we contemplate the object in its infinite results, every christian should ask himslf the question, What have I done for the glory of Christ and the salvation of a ruined world? The question—Have I done my duty?—remembering that they who sow sparingly, shall also reap sparingly.

The Board of Foreign Missions, have made strenuous efforts to supply the demand in China and Africa, to the full extent of their ability. They are anxious to procure men and means to enlarge the field of their operations. The friends of missions are encouraged to hope that an impetus will be given to the cause by the publication of brother Bowen's book on Central Africa, and the Commission, a monthly journal published by the Board.

In conclusion, the committee will state the pleasing fact, that many of the churches in this Association have contributed liberally to this object; and could the subject be brought REGULARLY and *systematically* before the minds of brethren, the result would be high creditable to the churches composing this body. Respectfully submitted.

GEO. BRADFORD, Chairman.

[F.]
REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

It gives your committee pleasure to be able to report, that the prospects of Wake Forest College were never more flattering than at present. At the meeting of the Board held in November last, a new plan was proposed and adopted for securing a fund sufficient to place the College on a permanent basis.

The plan is this: to raise, exclusive of all former subscriptions, an unencumbered fund of fifty thousand dollars. Bonds are taken, payable in three equal annual enstallments: provided the aforesaid amount is secured

in pledges of not less than $100 each, or cash, on or before the first of December, 1859; the first installment to become due when the whole amount is secured.

The plan was made conditional for the purpose of giving an assurance to those who are willing to help, that the object will be accomplished. Thirty-two thousand dollars have already been secured. Eighteen thousand more will complete the plan, make the bonds valid, and save the Institution. This will give it permanency, and lay securely the foundation for its future growth and prosperity.

In addition to the above, the Agent has, in the mean time, secured several hundred dollars in smaller subscriptions; and $5,000 worth of scholarships have been donated, upon the condition that the plan for raising the $50,000 is successfully carried out. The Agent hopes to be able to carry out this plan during the present year.—God grant that it may be so.

Since the last session of our Association, there have been some changes in the faculty. Elder W. M. Wingate has been elected President, and W. H. Jordan, jr., Tutor. Bro. Wingate is presiding over the College with marked ability, and is giving general satisfaction. Bro. Jordan is also laboring with great acceptability.—The other officers are the same as formerly.

The number of students is between eighty and ninety. There are fifteen looking forward to the ministry, and seven or eight are supported by the Convention as beneficiaries.

Our College has already done much to build up the Baptist denomination, to propagate Baptist principles, and advance the interest of our Redeemer's kingdom.—Her sons are now scattered all over our State, and some in other States, and even in heathen lands, preaching the glorious Gospel of the blessed Jesus. The Lord has blessed the little that we have done for Him in this enterprise, beyond what we could have reasonably expected. Surely our reward has been a hundred fold. Brethren, let us thank God, and take courage. And now, that we have the object almost within our grasp, let us "come up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty," and by the blessing of God, place W. F. College on a permanent basis. Respectfully submitted.

T. H. PRITCHARD, Chairman.

[G.]

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your committee deem it unnecessary to elaborate an argument in favor of Sabbath Schools. Suffice it to say that the name of Robert Raikes, who originated the first Sabbath School, is regarded with increased veneration as successive ages develop the good effects of the institution. So important are its influences upon Christ's Kingdom, that some ministers have declared they will preach for no church that will not sustain a Sabbath School. Nor do we think they over-estimate the potency of this agency: since, whether we regard the mental and moral training of children, the hallowed associations thus identified with the Sabbath, or the broad field of usefulness opened to the whole membership of the church, this instrumentality must be considered as second only to the pulpit, and well worthy to be designated "the nursery of the church."

Your committee apprehend that, notwithstanding much has been written and said on this subject, it is not yet appreciated by the Association as a body, and they earnestly recommend to every constituent member of this Association, that is not already blessed with a Sabbath School, to organize one immediately, and spare neither labor nor expense to secure its prosperity, since we are assured that every endeavor will be most richly repaid by gracious results. Respectfully submitted.

A. J. ASKEW, Chairman.

[H.]

REPORT ON THE CHOWAN REYNOLDSON SEMINARY.

The committee on Chowan Reynoldson Seminary beg leave to report:

Your committee regret that they are compelled to report, that the condition of this Seminary is not so flourishing and prosperous as its friends desire. It is just, however, that they should state that this is in no wise attributable to the want of proper management or to any inefficiency of its faculty; to the contrary, they cheerfully bear testimony to the eminent ability and distinguished

qualifications of the Board of Instructors. The lamentable condition of the Seminary results from the want of a comfortable boarding department.

This department is not under the control of the Board of Trustees. The pupils are distributed, some among private families in the neighborhood, but the larger portion of them are accommodated at the Hotel, known as the "Reynoldson Hotel." Much complaint is made of the method of entertainment at this principal boarding house, and hence has resulted the present unfavorable condition of the Institution.

Your committee regard it of the highest importance to the Seminary, that the boarding department should be under the control of the Board of Trustees so that it could be placed in the charge of a proper person qualified and disposed to administer to the necessities and comforts of the pupils. They esteem it their duty to make known to you that this Hotel will be exposed to public sale at Gatesville on Monday next, and to suggest that the result of the sale may be fatal to the interests of the Seminary. If purchased with the view of being kept as a house of entertainment for the pupils at the Seminary, it may possibly fall into hands with whom the patrons of the Institution may not be willing to trust their sons; and if not purchased for this purpose, it may be converted to uses highly injurious and perhaps ruinous to the Institution.

There is a debt hanging over this Seminary amounting to about $2500, the whole of which is now due, and the money will soon be required. Respectfully submitted.

W. H. MANNING, Chairman.

[I.]

REPROT ON N. C. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The committee on the State Convention submit the following as their report:

The objects of the Convention are similar to those which engage the attention of this body, and are such as should commend themselves to the favorable consideration of all christians. They are Home and Foreign Missions and Education, especially ministerial education.

These are objects of christian benevolence which are now, and have been for some time, engaging the attention

of the entire denomination in our broad spread country, and we rejoice to know that, under the blessing of God, much good has been done by the Convention in these several departments. The heathen have been blessed with a knowledge of Jesus, many waste places in our own State have been caused to rejoice in God's truth, and the churches have been blessed, to some good degree, with an enligtened ministry.

But all has not been done which can be done, or which is imperitively demanded to be done. Calls of benevolence in these various departments are continually being made upon christians by the Convention, and they should be responded to in a becoming manner. As the work enlarges, so the demand increases. We rejoice in the good which the Convention is now doing, and recommend the objects of its efforts to the liberality of the churches of this Association.

The Convention has under its fostering care one Foreign Missionary, Elder M. T. Yates, of our own State, stationed at Shanghai, and zealously engaged in the work of his station. Various feeble churches in the State, from the seaboard to the mountains, are recieving assistance from the Convention, and there are many others needing assistance. In this department the Convention, wisely, as we think, and in imitation of apostolic example, bestows most attention to towns. It is a lamentable fact, that many of our towns have been greatly neglected by us in time past, but we rejoice in present improvements in this particular. We learn, also, that the Convention has under its care *eight* students at W. F. College, who are preparing for the sacred word of the gospel ministry.—This alone should stimulate churches to contribute liberally to the support and strength of the Convention, that the churches and the world may be blessed with an educated ministry.

We recommend a continued observance of the regulations contained in the first resolution attached to the report on the Convention of last year—and that delegates be appointed to the Convention. We also call attention to the fact that the next session of the Convention will be held with the church at Hertford—one of our own churches—in view of which we extend a hearty welcome to the Convention to this part of the State. Respectfully submitted. J. J. LANSDELL, Chm'n.

[J.]

REPORT ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

The committee to whom was referred the Bible question beg leave to make the following report:

The Bible, of the Old and New Testaments, constitute the revealed will of God to man, containing all that is necessary to enable the creature to reach that haven of ultimate bliss which is so beautifully portrayed by the several writers thereof.

This is the book of books, whose pages we should at all times love to peruse, praying fervently for the enlightening influence of the divine Spirit whereby we may be enabled the better to understand it.

It is, however, an admitted fact, that in the present version there are many important inaccuracies of translation. If this be so, should we not exert all the influence we, as a body, possess, to render the revelations of the Spirit as clear and as perspicuous as possible?

In view of this latter fact, your committee would suggest the propriety of recommending to the notice of the Baptists within your bounds the revision movement now in operation in the city of New York, under the supervision and control of the American Bible Union.

Your committee have, to some little extent, investigated the claims of this enterprise, and view it as one of surpassing interest, claiming the cordial support of every lover of truth.

May the God of all grace speed the enterprise to its final consummation, is the sincere prayer of your

COMMITTEE.

[K.]

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your committee to whom was referred the state of the churches, beg leave to submit the following as their report:

That, in contemplating the progress of christianity in our churches, there is much to animate and encourage our hearts. From the report that has been sent up by the

churches, we learn that about one thousand precious souls have been added to the different churches by baptism.—That a spirit of christian benevolence has increased to a considerable extent, is also manifest from the donations and contributions for different purposes. We also learn that the churches generally are supplied by the preaching of the word: thus, to a certain extent, carrying out the command of our risen Saviour.

But while there is much for which to be thankful, there is obviously much that remains to be done before it can be said of us, "They have done what they could." In the first place, there are too many of our churches that do not meet every Sunday for the purpose of religious worship. In the second place, there are, too, many ministers that are unemployed in their appropriate work of preaching the gospel.

Your committee would suggest that the members of the different churches be requested to meet together on each Sabbath and engage in such religious exercises as they may have the ability to perform.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. D. PRITCHARD, Chairman.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

May 15th, 1857.

Dear Brethren:—According to appointment we are once more in session. Our churches, with very few exceptions, are fully represented, and their letters bring us the assurance that the cause of Christ is onward throughout our bounds. Many of our churches have been blessed with revivals since our last adjournment, and more than one thousand communicants added to our number. Three new churches have applied for admission into our Association at the present session, and after satisfactory testimonials that they were Missionary Baptists in faith and order, were admitted. We have had a most delightful anniversary, harmony and peace having prevailed in all our deliberations, and proper zeal manifested by the representatives of our churches in support of the various objects in which we are engaged. The appearances for good in our limits are every where auspicious, and we give our Heavenly Father our hearty blessings for such inestimable evidences of acceptance at his hands.

Corresponding Messengers have been appointed and we hope will be present at your respective sessions.

To our sister, the Portsmouth Association, we will say—Our joint work, the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute, progresses well. Its condition is healthful and prosperous. Ninety-four young ladies are now in connexion with it, and their healthfulness, comfortable entertainment, and satisfactory progress in study, all assure us of the effi-

ciency of our School. Our present Agent hitherto has operated only in our bounds, intending, after he shall have visited our several churches, to pass over into your limits. This arrangement has been nearly completed, and our brethren and friends have given liberally towards extinguishing the debt incurred by our Board of Trustees in building up our Institute. Our energetic Agent, though arrested several times by disease, has obtained in subscription between Eight and Nine Thousand Dollars, and would have been with you at your anniversary but for severe bodily affliction. Should his health be restored, we commend him to your confidence and affection as a faithful brother, and ask your generous contributions in aid of our joint work. Its location is on our side of the State line, and consequently in our midst, but we view it as yours as well as ours. You contributed as munificently towards its establishment, and from its origin have manifested as deep anxiety for its welfare, as we of the Chowan Asspciation. We feel no hesitancy, consequently, in sending our Agent into your limits, for in asking aid at your hands is but to consummate a work in which you are intimately associated.

To each one of our sisters corresponding with us, we tender fraternal greeting. We bid you God speed in the good work of our Master. Let us be industrious—self-sacrificing—"always abounding in the work of the Lord," for the night cometh when we of the present generation can work no longer.

"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all."

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF THE LATE ELD. THOMAS WAFF.

The committee to whom was referred the melancholy task of preparing a memoir of this excellent man, enter upon their work with saddened hearts:

A good man has fallen—the church on earth has lost a valiant soldier, but heaven claims the saint.

The subject of this sketch was born in Edenton on the 12th of Feb., 1797. His father (Thomas Waff) died, leaving a widow, Mrs. Sarah Waff, Thomas (then only 8 years of age) and three younger brothers.—The early instructions of his pious mother were not lost on her youthful charge—having been taught the right way in childhood, he did not depart therefrom in his riper years. In early life he was enable to rely upon his Savior and to rejoice in the hope of pardoned sin; and on a profession of faith, was baptized by Elder Martin Ross. He was received into the fellowship of the church at Bethel, Perquimans county. On the 14th of April, 1818, he was married by Rev. Dr. Farnsworth, then pastor of the church in Edenton, to Mary, eldest daughter of Capt. Stephen Carpenter of Edenton, and granddaughter of Capt. Stephen Myles of eastern Virginia. His wife had been baptized in Edenton two years previously by Elder M. Ross, and was a member of the Bethel church. In the constitution of the church in Edenton, they were a part of the constituent members. Bro. Waff was chosen deacon, which

office he filled most worthily until he was ordained to the work of the gospel ministry. In the year 1840 he was called to exercise his gifts in the ministry, and on the 4th Lord's day in June, 1842, he was fully set apart to the sacred work by the Presbytery composed of Elders Trotman, Forbes and Thompson. Although entering the gospel field at a late period of life, Elder Waff was instrumental in gathering many sheaves into the garner of our Lord; but his fireside instructions seemed ever to have an unction from on high. He was very happy in enforcing the principles of the gospel in the domestic circle, and when deprived from any cause from attending public worship on Lord's day, he would call his family together, read portions of Scripture, question the different members upon it, and enforce the principle or doctrine taught.—How sweetly his example influenced his family, is well known to those who partook of his hospitality.

Elder Waff was pastor for the church at Salem, Pasquotank county, for several years; in that time, many souls were converted and the church increased. His vacant Sundays were devoted to preaching in destitute places in the counties of Chowan and Perquimans. Occasionally he preached for the church in Edenton—for a while he was their regular supply.

From 1852 to 1856 Elder Waff ministered to the church at Yoppim, preaching on two Sabbaths in each month. Though entering the field of the gospel ministry late in life, yet he labored with all the zeal and fervency of a more youthful laborer. His explication of the truths of the divine word were remarkably lucid. Fearlessly he denounced sin in every guise, and as boldly proclaimed the truth under all circumstances. Clear in his views of the plan of salvation, he stood unmoved on the Great Rock of truth. Elder Waff steadfastly adhered to the doctrine of the final perseverance of the saints, and rejoiced that we are not left to the caprices of the human will for our ultimate happiness in heaven. The doctrines of grace, as held by regular Baptists, were dear to his heart; nor was he swerved from his steadfastness by the isms around him.

For two or three months before his death, notwithstanding his failing health, Elder W. did not release his efforts, but continued his labors in all the protracted meetings of his churches. The text from which he preached his last sermon was singularly appropriate, "It is finished." His last illness, of 9 or 10 days, he bore with great patience, often speaking of the resurrection, requesting that portions of the Scriptures referring to that subject might be read to him. "There," said he, "is the strong ground of the christian's hope." On Lord's day evening, the 30th of November last, he fell asleep in Jesus, calmly yielding his life in the hope of a glorious resurrection.

So fades the summer cloud away,
So sinks the gale when storms are o'er,
So gently shuts the eye of day,
So dies a wave along the shore.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of *His* saints." His funeral sermon was preached by Elder Geo. W. Bradford, from 1st Timothy iv. 7 and 8, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."

Bro. Waff will meet on earth with us no more. For many years his cheerful greetings gladened us at the anniversaries of our Association, but never again shall he meet us on earth.

Let the bright example left by our departed brother stimulate us to be active in the Master's cause. "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his."

JNO. W. MOORE, Chm'n.

Statistics of Benevolent Effort in the Chowan Association.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.	Church Extension.	Bible Cause.	Total.
Ahoskie,	$	$12 30	$	$	$	$ 12 30
Ballard's Bridge,	10 00	10 00	450 00	40 00	43	543
Berea,			200 00			200
Bethlehem,		7 00				7
Buckhorn,	85 00					85
Capehearts,	34 33	5 00				39 33
Coleraine,						300
Cool Spring,		5 00				5
Corinth,		6 00				6
Ebenezer,		5 00				5
Gatesville,		5 00				5
Great Fork,					180	180
Hertford,	268 00	250 00	12450 00	6900 00		19000
Holly Grove,		8 00				8
Macedonia,	9 33	4 66				14
Mar's Hill,		4 00				4
Meherrin,	30 00	5 00				35
Mt. Carmel,		9 66				9 66
Mt. Tabor,		11 00				11
Murfreesboro,		6 00		300 00		306
Piney Grove,	23 00	16 65				39 65
Pleasant Grove,		8 50				8 50
Pleasant Plains,		5 00				5
Potecasi,		5 00				5
Ramoth Gilead,	28 00		1100 00		50	1178
Robert's Chapel,	20 00					20
Rocky Hock,	11 00	6 00				17
Sandy Cross,		10 00				10
Sandy Run,		20 00				20
Sawyer's Creek,	15 00	10 43	2900 00			2925 43
Shady Grove,	5 00	5 00				10
Whiteville Grove,	5 00					5
Yeopim,	5 00	16 00	55 00	40 00	35	151
Hebron,		5 50				5 50
	578 66	451 70	17355 00	6380 00	308	25176 37

The above does not include the amount expended as a contingent fund for printing the minutes, transcribing and correspondence. Total $25,018 36.

MINUTES

OF THE

Fifty-second Annual Session

OF THE

CHOWAN BAP. ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

GREAT FORK, NANSEMOND CO., VA.

May 11--14, 1858.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

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GREAT FORK, VA., MAY 11th, 1853.

The Introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Warfield, in the absence of the brethren appointed to that service. The text was selected from John 3: 13 14—"And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven." "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up."

After an intermission of thirty minutes, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer was offered by Elder Kerr. Brethren J. D. Bouchall and W. W. Knight were appointed assistant clerks.

Letters from the churches were called for and read. Brethren W. W. Mitchell, B. A. Spires and C. O. Manning sat as a committee to receive contributions.

The list being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was chosen Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, the following were recognized, viz: Elder L. M. Berry, Agent of the Domestic and Indian Mission Board of Marion Ala. Bro. C. P. Bogert, Agent of the Bible Union of New York; and Elder E. F. Buchanan from the Pamlico Association. A package of minutes of the last anniversaries of the Pamlico and Portsmouth Associations were handed in: a circular contained in the former was read.

A petitionary letter from a newly constituted church at Hamilton Martin County was presented and read. The petition was referred to Elders Hancock, Bunch and T. Hodgard, who retired for consultation and returning reported in favor of the reception of the church.

The report was received, concurred in, and the committee discharged. The church was then regularly received into our union, the delegates coming forward received the right hand of recognition from the Moderator.

Elder Tronsan, Elwell and Nowell were appointed a committee of arrangements; that committee made a report, which was received, and the committee discharged.

The Moderator then announced the following committees:

On the Chowan F. C. Institute—Elder McDowell, brethren W. W. Mitchel and Sutton.

On the Reynoldson Institute—Brethren Bouchall, Webb and White.

On Home Missions—Elders Delk and Speight.

The Association then adjourned until 9 A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder McDowell.

Wednesday May 12 1858.

The Association assembled. Prayer by Elder Elwell. The roll was called.

The pastor and deacons of this church were appointed a committee to supply the stage with preaching.

Elder A. Poindexter Secretary of Foreign Mission Board at Richmond—Elder Jno. Mitchell Agt. of W. F. College, Elder G. W. Bradford and Elders Reuben Jones and Jacob R. Daughtry were recognized among the visiting brethren and invited to seats.

Committee on Chowan F. C. Institute reported, after an interesting discussion by Elders McDowell, Pritchard, Poindexter, Speight and Trotman it was adopted, committee discharged. See appendix, A.

About $3,000 were pledged during the discussion.

The Association took a recess of forty minutes.

On re-assembling, the ollowing committees were announced viz:

On Wake Forest College—Elders Mitchell and W. D. Pritchard and Bro. H. M. Jones.

On Sunday Schools—Elders Thomas Pritchard, Jno. N Hogwood and Bro. Wm. Lee.

On Periodicals—Elders Knapp, Elwell and Bro. Waff.

On Foreign Missions—Elders Poindexter, Webb and J. W. Barnes.

On the Bible Union—Brethren Bogart, A. W. Darden and Elder Worrell.

On the State of Religion—Elder Weatherly, brethren Felton and Lee.

On Domestic and Indian Mission—Bro. Berry, Elders Etheridge and Pittman.

The committee on the Reynoldson Seminary reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, letter B.

Resolved that this association recognise in the recent action of the trustees of the Reynoldson Seminary a readiness to conform to the expressed wishes of this body, which claims our confidence. As such we commend the Agent to the liberality of our churches and as individuals we pledge ourselves in liquidating its obligations.

The committee on the distribution of the Home Mission Fund to other objects, reported adversely to the distribution; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, C.

Resolved, That next session of this body be held with the church

at Mt. Carmel Northampton Co, to commence on Tuesday before 3rd Lord's day in May, 1859. Elder Q. H. Trotman was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder Thomas H. Pritchard alternate.

Elder Kone was appointed to preach the conventional sermon before the next Association.

The Standing committee on Home Missions reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, D.

On motion the Association adjourned until 9 A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder A. M. Poindexter.

THURSDAY May 13 1858.

Association met. Prayer by Elder Knapp. Roll was called.

At the request of the church formerlyk nown as Vasser's, the Association ordered the name to be changed to Elim.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported; report received and committee discharged See appendix, letter E.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, letter F.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, letter G.

Ninety-six dollars were paid or pledged in aid of Foreign Mission Board.

Brethren Spiers and B. Moore were appointed a committee, to which was referred a communication from Cor. Secretary of the Am. Bap. Pub. Society.

The Association took a recess to hear the conventional sermon by Elder Poindexter and for refreshments—a collection of $24 49 was taken up for the purposes of the N. C. Bap. State Convention.

On re-assembling the committee made the following report on Finance:

Amount in the Treasury,		$140 08
Present contributions,		102 00
		242 08
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Printing minutes of 1857	$65 00	
Freight on same	75	
Postage minutes to churches	9 89	
Transcribing same	25 00	100 64
Balance in the Treasury		$141 44

Whereas our body at its last session in its solicitude for the relief of the Chowan F. C. Institute (our cherished institution)

passed a resolution requesting our brother Elder G. H. Trotman, to continue in the Agency until its pecuniary liabilities are liquidated and whereas this object has not been attained therefore

Resolved, That we renew our request to our Elder Trotman to continue in our service as Agent of the Board of Trustees.

On motion of Elder Trotman the Association instructed the Standing Committee on Home Missions to appropriate such money as may otherwise appropriated, for the relief of [illegible] to Lowells Point church and $50 to the Bethel church.

Committee on Periodicals reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, letter F.

Committee on the Lillie Union reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, letter J.

Committee on the State of Religion reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, letter I.

Committee on Domestic and Indian Missions reported; report received and committee discharged. See appendix, letter K.

The ordained ministers of this Association were appointed delegates to the N. C. Baptist Convention.

Committee on the communication of the Secretary of the A. B. Publication Society reported—that on investigation it appears that the whole matter was a private letter of Rev. M. B. Fry and that this body is in no wise responsible for the purchase of books referred to.

The following brethren were appointed delegates to the Portsmouth Association—Elders Trotman, McDowell, Gwaltney, Elwell, Peik and Worrell.

On motion the Moderator was added to the delegation.

The following to the Pamlico Association.—Elders Craig Pittman and Enoch.

The following to the Union Association.—Elders T. H. Pritchard, Kone and Webb.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby tendered to church and congregation at this place, for the generous hospitality with which they have entertained the members of this body.

The Clerk was authorised to have 1500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed by mail.

The committee on Pulpit Supplies reported as follows:

Elder Knapp, on Wednesday at	11 A. M.	
" Bradford,	"	12 A. M.
Pro. Perry,	"	8 P. M.
Elder Peacham, on Thursday at	11 A. M.	
" Poindexter,	"	12 A. M.
" B. Jones,	"	2 P. M.
" Elwell,	"	8 P. M.

On motion the Association adjourned. Praise and prayer by Elder W. W. Kone.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*.

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor,
2 Jeremiah Bunch, Windsor,
3 A. M. Craig, Hotel,
4 Jas. Delk, Pitch Landing,
5 R. W. Delbridge, Ryland's, Depot Virginia,
6 J. D. Elwell, Blossom Hill,
7 D. V. Etheridge, Ballards Bridge,
8 E. Forbes, Camden,
9 L. R. Gwaltney, Murfreesboro',
10 E. Hancock, Pitchlanding,
11 David Harrell, Windsor,
12 W. H. Hardee, Garysburg,
13 T. Hoggard, Pitchpanding,
14 John N. Hogwood, Murfreesboro',
15 E. Howell, Reynoldson,
16 W. Hooper, Murfreesboro',
17 T. J. Knapp, Edenton,
18 W. W. Kone, Murfr'sboro',
19 West Leary, Edenton,
20 M. L. Mizells, Wimpsor,
21 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro,'
22 Barnabas Nixon, Edenton,
23 John Nowell, Coleraine,
24 Edward Pierce, Plymouth,
25 Thomas Pittman, Berlin, Va.
26 W. D. Pritchard, Camden,
27 Thomas H. Pritchard, Hertford,
28 J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro',
29 D. Sanderlin, Tulls Creek,
30 Henry Speight, Gatesville,
31 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville,
32 Q. H. Trotman Sunsbury,
33 A. Twine, Powell's Point,
34 Henry White, Merry Hill,
35 John B. Webb, Edenton,
36 Ben. B. Williams, Coleraine,
37 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville,
38 H. J. White, St. Johns,
39 H. T. Weatherly, E. City.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton,
2 W. Briggs, Elizabeth City,
3 Joseph Berry, North West,
4 W. H. Bunch, Windsor,
5 E. Bunch, Mintonsville,
6 W. Dunning, Roxabelle,
7 J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury,
8 E. V. Hoskins, E. City,
9 A. Hallowell, Newbegun Cr'k,
10 John P. Lee, Murfreesboro',
11 Griffin F. Jones, Forestville,
12 Ira Odom, Pitch Landing,
13 Abram Pruden, Gatesville,
14 R. R. Savage, Forestville,
15 Exum Stevenson, Jackson,
16 David Thompson, Windsor,

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptised.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by letter.	Excomu'cated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie,	W. W. Mitchell, J. Holloman, A. J. Askew*,	1			7	6	0	358	35	393	3 00
Ballard's Bridge,	D. V. ETHERIDGE, R. D. Simpson, Henry H. Hobbs,	26	4		7	3	18	439	104	543	4 00
Berea,	S. F. Overman, S. Wood*, Miles Whitehurst,	0	4				3	49	1	50	1 50
Bethel,	A. Bonner, W. Myers, Sam'l Sutton,	22	3		2	1	10	251	35	286	3 00
Bethlehem,	J. DELK, T. HOGGARD, H. M. Jones,	7	1		1	2	8	93	55	148	3 00
Buckhorn,	T. D. Vann*, J. W. Barnes, B. Moore,				1	1	2	83	43	126	2 00
Capeheart's,	J. M. Hoggard, W. M. Hoggard, W. H. Pearce,	2	2	1	5	3	9	265	187	452	2 50
Cashie,											
Coleraine,	J. Smith*, Alpheus Nowell, J. NOWELL,	13	3	6	13	7	10	348	211	559	3 00
Conaritsa,	*Willie Dunning*, W. T. Sharrock*, J. L. Burden,	14	3		3	3	3	242	52	294	2 50
Cool Spring,	Jas. Carter, W. H. Cross*, Thos. Umphlet,		3		2		3	142	14	156	2 00
Corinth,	H. Gatling*, J. Vann*, Bryant Lassiter,	6	1			5		93	34	132	2 00
Ebenezer,	J. M. Overton, Jesse Eason, D. Pritchard,	12	1			2	12	94	57	151	2 50
Edenton,	T. D. KNAPP, S. T. Bond*, C. G. Manning,	13	1		4	1	3	12	136	198	2 00
Elizabeth City,	C. S. Sanderlin, H. T. WEATHERLY, R. Simpson,	11	4	5	7	5	5	305	51	313	3 00
Elim,	R. W. Delbridge*, W. Carstarphen*, R. W. Taylor*,	1			2		1	53	30	83	2 00
Gatesville,	S. W. WORRELL, Jas. R. Hoffler, Hance Hoffler*,					2		55	29	82	2 00
Great Fork,	O. P. Savage, W. W. Knight, JNO. S. Pearce,	18			1	1	4	166	41	207	2 00
Hamilton,	J. D. Groves, J. M. Mathews,	8	2					13		13	50
Hebron,	J. O. Outland, H. Modlin, J. A. Stevenson	7	1		1	1	1	57	3	60	1 00
Hertford,	T. H. PRITCHARD, M. O. Jordan, Jas. Goodwin*,		4				1	33	30	63	1 50
Holly Grove,	J. S. Mitchell, W. J. Freeman, M. Todd*,		1		1		3	40	29	77	1 50

Lebanon,	*J. W. Hofler*, J. T Overman, W. W. Speight*,	3					2	28		28		50
Macedonia,	W. LEARY*, P. F. White, T. H. War,						2	56	5	61	1	50
Mar's Hill,	B. B. WILLIAMS, J. W. Perry*, Wm. Miller*,	6	5	1	2	2	2	70	4	74	1	00
Meherrin,	J. ROCHELLE*, W. H. Parker, Horace Parker,	10	2	1	4	3		187	108	295	3	00
Middle Swamp,	H. SPEIGHT, Willie Riddick, J. A. Rountree,	2				1	8	82	68	150	1	50
Mt. Carmel,	Green Stancill*, Will J. Taylor, H. Edwards*,	25	1	1			15	231	94	325	2	50
Mt. Tabor,	H. Griffith, A. W. Darden, *J. P. Lee*,		1		1	1	3	135	35	170	3	00
Murfreesborough,	A. MCDOWELL, B. A. Spiers, J. Lassiter*,	15	5		3	2		58	8	64	2	00
New Hope,	W. E. Mathews*, George W. Parker*,									26	1	50
Piney Grove,	E. Howell*, S. D. Rogers, D. L. Sumner,	1			2	3	4	83	59	141	2	50
Pleasant Grove,	W. W. KONE*, G. C. Moore, W. S. Tayloe,				1		2	58	26	84	2	00
Pleasant Plains,	THOS. HOGGARD, J. A. Mizzell,	30	1	2		12	3		190	190	1	50
Potecasi,	G. D. Holloman, J. Parker*, H. C. Edwards,		1	2	1	2	2	210	53	262	2	00
Powell's Point,	H. S. Harrison*, W. D. Chaddic*, Saml. Doughtie,	1	2			1	1	45	5	50	1	00
Providence,	J. S. Dey*, J. B. Morgan*, C. Bell*,		5			4	4	82		82	2	00
Ramoth Gilead,	J. Temple, J. Forbes, W. M. Baffkin*,	6			1	4	4	84	89	173	2	00
Republican,	J. BUNCH, W. H. Burch, C. Pritchard,	8			4	2	1	150	51	201	2	00
Roanoke Island,	A. TWINE*, Thos. A. Dough*, Wm. Hays*,				1	2	7	55	39	94		
Robert's Chapel,	L. Edwards*, Isaac Baum, W. Boon*,		5			3	3	168	51	219	2	00
Rocky Hock,	J. B. WEBB, W. Perry, R. R. Felton,	1			3	1	4	140	6	146	1	50
Ross' M. H.,	*I. Odom**, W. S. Mizzell*, W. H. Hoggard*,					3	4	303	46	349	2	50
Salem,	*Wells Briggs*, A. W. Fletcher, A. Hallowell,	17	1		1	3	10	88	19	107	1	50
Sandy Cross,	Q. H. TROTMAN, W. T. Parker, W. H. Manning*,	5		1		2		289	75	366	3	00
Sandy Run,	Wm. Lee, E. HANCOCK, THOS. PITTMAN,	11			2		3	131	84	215	2	00
Sawyer's Creek,	J. D. ELWELL, W. D. Pritchard, M. S. Bousfield,	46	3		6	9	9	321	72	393	3	00
Shady Grove,	J. Sanderlin*, B. C. Walker*, C. Mathias*,				3		3	104		104	2	00
Shiloh,	T. Palmer*, G. M. Hughes*, B. Barco,					5	10	354	79	433	3	00
Whiteville Grove,	J. White, W. C. Simpson*, E. N. Relf*,	2			1	1		124	4	128	2	50
White Oak,	N. Davis*, J. T Skiles*,	14	7			2		31	10	41		50
Yoppim,	W. Benbury, Joshua Pratt, Jos. T. Waff.	2	3			1		104	22	126	1	50
	* Absent. Ordained ministers in SMALL CAPITALS.											
52 churches.	Licentiates in *italics*.	515	80	15	93	111	201	7878	2499	10377	102	00

APPENDIX.

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[A.]

REPORT ON C. F. C. INSTITUTE.

Your committee are gratified to report the continued prosperity of this your cherished Institution.

In all that is essential to real *efficiency* the Institute is evidently advancing. The Faculty of instruction, upon whose character and competency mainly depends the efficiency of any institution has never, during the present administration at least, been more complete, harmonious and successful than during the present year. In this respect, acknowledgedly the most important as well as in other means of instruction, it will compare favorably with any school in any State. The proportion of pupils in the Collegiate department is larger than at any previous time; an increasing interest in study is manifested, and there is an evident tendency upward in the grade of scholarship. These are all unmistakeable marks of progress and need only to be steadily continued to render the institution as efficient as its friends desire. Indeed, it has already reached a position, which in this respect leaves but little more to be attained. The institution is however in pressing need of additional buildings to provide for the more comfortable accomodation of a larger number of pupils. Eighty eight pupils have been entered during the present year, about eighty of whom are now in attendance. A larger number could be instructed by the present faculty without inconvenience or increase of expense and we doubt not, that a little effort on the part of our patrons and friends would readily supply this deficiency.

In regard to the present financial condition of the Institute your committee have not the data upon which to base a correct report. We can state however that the entire indebtness as reported to your body three years ago was $13925 the interest upon which up to the present time would increase the amount to $15,366.50 your present Agent has received subscribtions to the amount of $8289, which leaves a balance of $6677.50.

In conclusion your committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we earnestly and affectionately request and urge the delegates from each of the churches here present to use their influence in directing the attention of Parents and Guardians having daughters and wards to educate to our Institute as a school eminently worthy of their confidence and patronage.

Resolved, That $10,000 be now raised, or steps be taken to secure that amount. Respectfully submitted

A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

[B]

CHOWAN REYNOLDSON SEMINARY.

The committee on the Chowan Reynoldson Seminary beg leave to submit the following report:

Your committee are pained to be compelled to report a *less* flourishing condition for the school than you received last year. We find it has been on the decline ever since the opening of the third session and is now in a very low condition. The number of students 17. For two months of last session there were only 10. We find its liabilities up to October last to amount to $3100 00

Amt Salaries to Instructors last session		525 00
" " " " present "		400 00
		$4025 00
Amt Tuition for last session	$210 00	
" " " present "	290 00	500 00
		$3525 00
Of this Amt Rev J B. Webb, its Agent, has raised in subscribtion		$1716 75
Leaving an amount of		$1808 25

still to be raised.

We are convinced that the future prospects of the School depend on the action of this body at its present sitting. The Seminary was alienated from the Association by the premature action of some of its too sanguine Trustees and friends. But we rejoice to see the prodigal returning with commendable contrition and we hope you will receive him with a warm embrace. The self sacrificing Trustees frankly confess that they were *led into an error*, but that it was prompted by a warm zeal for its posperity. The scales having fallen from their eyes they now come to you for assistance and if not received they will be driven, and very reluctantly, to their only means of self defence, exposing the building and premises to public sale. God forbid that such a disgrace should tarnish the bright escutcheon of the Chowan Association!

We would also *urge* upon this body the absolute necessity of taking some steps for securing a good boarding establishment. If the "Reynoldson House" cannot be purchased or differently managed we would recommend the erection of one on the lot belonging to the Seminary. Because we know, from the general sentiment both of student and patron that there can be *no school*, while the boarding department is in the present condition. It is here as every where else, the prosperity of the school depends almost *entirely* on the condition of the boarding department, we are con-

vinced that Reynoldson can be nothing but a *disgrace* to this Association and the Baptist denomination unless that house does change hands, and that all attempts to raise Reynoldson to a *respectable* standing, will be futile and vain, and hence we would respectfully suggest that this body authorize the Trustees either to purchase the present house, even at sacrifice or erect another. May God direct us. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. WEBB, Chairman,

[C]

DISTRIBUTION OF HOME MISSION FUND.

We the committee to whom the Distribution of the Home Mission Funds was committed beg leave to make the following report:

The money being sent up by the churches for a specific purpose we think it ought to be retained for the purpose for which it was sent up by the churches that is to say for the Home Mission in in our bounus. All of which is respectfully submitted

JAMES DELK, Chm'n.

[D]

REPORT ON HOME MISSION.

The committee on Home Missions beg leave to make the following report:

During the session of the last Association your committee engaged the service of Elders D V. Etheridge and B B. Williams missionaries in the bounds of the Chowan Association during the Associational year. Elder D A. Etheridge reports as having been engaged 17 days, traveled 158 miles, preached 6 sermons, baptized 1, received 0, leaving a balance due him as missionary $17 00. Elder B B Williams reports, also, as having been engaged 123 days, travelled 1570 miles, preached 8 sermons, delivered 11 exhortations, baptised 12, received $23 25, expended $6 11, leaving a balance due him as missionary $105 86.

Our total indebtedness of missionary operations of $122 86 having been liquidated And we, as the Home Missionary Committee in our last annual report did most earnestly request the churches composing this Association to send up liberal contributions to its next session, and we are sorry to say in our report that the contributions for this session are not equal to the last

Resolved, That we as the Home Missionary Committee most earnestly urge the pastors of the churches composing this Association to sustain the Home Missionary cause at its next session.

The total amount of indebtedness for Missionary operations du-

ring the past year is $122 86 amount of contributions at the last session is $69 19 leaving a balance of $53 67 to be paid out of the Treasury. It was then ordered by the Association that $100-00 be paid to the church at Edenton in aid of its pastor. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

S. W. WORRELL, Chm'n.

List of Contributions at the Association, 1858.

Ahoskie, $5.15; Buckhorn, 10 56; Coleraine, 10 00, Corinth, 3 00; Gatesville, 5.00; Mars Hill, 3 05; Mount Tabor, 5 25; Murfreesborough, 6 00; Pleasant Grove, 8 00. Potecasi, 5 00; Rockey Hock, 5 00; Shady Grove, 3 18. Total $69.19.

[E.]

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

The plan reported in your minutes of last year for raising an additional endowment fund of $50,000 for Wake Forest College has been successfully carried out. It gives your committee pleasure to be able to state that this plan adopted in November 1856, was completed in November 1857. To God be all the praise.

The above amount has been secured in bonds payable in three equal annual installments; the first due and payable on the first of January 1858. Several thousand dollars have already been paid in and invested in state bonds The Treasurer will continue to invest in state bonds unless otherwise directed by the Trustees. The interest accruing from this source will free the College from pecuniary embarrassment, and we can now, with the blessing of Almighty God, look forward, with confident expectation, to a bright and glorious future for Wake Forest College. Respectfully submitted.

J. MITCHELL, Chm'n.

[F.]

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The importance of the Christian enterprise and the propriety of providing a suitable "Sabbath School Literature" for the Baptists of the South, have been extensively discussed recently in our periodicals.

While your Committee deplore the unhappy controversies, which this discussion has elicited, they can but approve the enterprise contemplated, and heartily pray that some feasible plan may be projected upon which all may unite and thus secure this consummation so devoutly to be wished.

Your Committee greatly fear that although this subject has

been repeatedly introduced to the consideration of this Association it is not yet generally appreciated

Were parents to recognize their obligations to train up their children religiously, then the want for such an institution would not be so universal and so imperious; but it is a lamentable fact that they are strangely derelict in this regard, and hence there is an absolute necessity for a Sabbath School in every community So great in fact are the influences of Sabbath Schools, on the prosperity of Zion that some ministers of large experience have declared that they will be pastor of no church that will not sustain a Sunday School. Nor do they overestimate the policy of this Agency for good, since whether we regard the mental and moral training of youth, the hallowed associations thus identified with the Sabbath on the broad field of usefulness opened to the whole membership of churches, this instrumentality can be considered as second only to the pulpit and well worthy to be designated the nurseries of the churches.

Your Committee in conclusion would again earnestly commend this subject to the consideration of every church of this Association. Respectfully submitted.

T. H. PRITCHARD, Chm'n.

[G]

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The committee on Foreign Missions respectfully report:

The missions of the Southern Baptist Convention in China are located at Canton and Shanghai. Our brethren at Canton were forced from their field of labor by the war between the Chinese and English and at last advices were still at Macao. Canton had been taken by the English, but the way was not yet opened for their return to that city. At Shaghai the Lord has been graciously pleased to revive the hearts of the missionaries by the manifestation of his saving power among the Chinese during the past year. More than sixty have been converted during the year, in connection with the different missions there, of whom more than twenty have been baptised to our brethren. The awakening had not subsided when the latest information was received and we have reason to hope the work will continue and spread It is painful however, to be compelled to state, that, while the labors of the brethren were being thus blessed it became necessary for brother Yates to return home to recruit his health and that brethren Cabaniss and Crawford are both in feeble health, and will probably soon have to return. Will not the brethren pray for them and for the recent converts at Shanghai. Three missionaries, brethren Hartwell of Louisiana Bigby and Holmes of Virginia

have been accepted recently and probably two of them will sail for China in a few months.

The Central African mission is still offering an inviting field for labor We have five white brethren, three sisters, and one colored brother engaged in this mission, and others are needed to occupy large and populous towns which are asking for missionaries In Liberia and Sierra Leone we have some thirty preachers, and teachers all colored, actively engaged During the past year these brethren have been blessed with a season of refreshing from the presence of the Lord, and a large number (how many we cannot state exactly) have been baptised. The Liberia mission, especially, is in quite a prosperous state.

The Board of Foreign Missons are urgent in their appeals for an increase of men and means to enable it to prosecute the work committed to their charge. Shall these appeals pass unheeded? Are there not brethren, who for the love of Christ and of souls will say "here we are, send us," and will not all, as God hath prospered give the means that are needed? The expenses of the Board must be increased during the present fiscal year, and the present pecuniary pressure renders it indispensable that there shall be a general and liberal contribution. Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st That devout gratitude is due to God for his blessing upon our Foreign Missions.

Resolved, 2d. That we earnestly urge the claims of these missions upon the personal service of our young brethren.

Resolved, 3d. That in view of the want of funds and of our obligations as the Stewards of the Lord, we will press the claims for pecuniary aid upon the attention of our churches and that a subscription be now taken in aid of the Board of Foreign Missions.

[H.]

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

The committee on Publications beg leave to submit the following report:

Believing as we do that a well conducted religious newspaper, is eminently calculated to advance the cause of Christ we cordially recommend the "Biblical Recorder" as being worthy of patronage and as it is the only Baptist paper in the State of North Carolina we think it should be found in every Baptist household.—Also the "Home and Foreign Journal should be supported by every lover of the Home and Foreign Mission cause.

Also the "Commission" devoted as it is exclusive to Foreign Missionary and admirably calculated to foster the Missionary Spirit

and diffuse useful information concerning the operations and condition of the Missionary Enterprise in foreign lands. We also heartily recommend all the publications of the South Western Publication Society published in Nashville Tenn. And all the publications of the Southern Publication Society at Charleston S. C. All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. JUDSON KNAPP, Chairman.

[I.]

REPORT ON BIBLE UNION.

Your committee would beg leave to report that, believing the word of God to be pure and very precious to his people and that this word was first written in the Hebrew and Greek languages which none but the learned are acquainted with and believing that the Scriptures should be understood by all. We therefore regard with pleasure and deep interest, the efforts now being made by the American Bible Union to give to earth's teeming millions the revealed will of God in all its purity and simplicity.

The American Bible Union have during the past year nearly completed the preliminary revision of the New Testament. The revisers employed on this work by the Union, with one exception have finished their several parts and have placed their manuscripts in the hands of the Board, ready for the final College of revisers, four of which have already received their appointment and have entered on their labors. The fifth scholar will be selected as soon as one can be found equal in scholarship and piety to those already on the said committee. The Board look forward with great joy to the speedy accomplishment of this great and glorious work, and would assure the friends of the cause that the time is not far distant when their eyes shall be gladdened with a sight of a copy of a faithful version of God's word. This society was never in a more prosperous condition than at present. It is free from debt and has been kept so by those who love truth unmixed with error. And may the God of all grace aiden the work, and bless this Association which has so nobly aided in the cause of pure versions.

C. PETER EOGERT, Chairman.

[J.]

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Your committee to whom was referred the State of Religion in the churches within the bounds of this Association beg leave to submit the following report:

All that we have been able to ascertain has been from the letters

representing the state of religious interest during the past year.

And from the several reports, we are sorry to say, that there has not been that increase of baptisms as in some former years. We are only able to report a neat increase of 110 members.—While there has been rather a decrease in the number of additions to the churches, there has been an increase in the spirit of benevolence and liberal donations to the various objects of religious enterprize. This spirit of liberality speaks well for a sound christianity. "By their fruit ye shall know them." We are gratified to find, that most of the churches are supplied with regular preaching by acceptable ministers, who promise much usefulness to the churches. A good state of feelings seems to exist among the brethren, peace and harmony prevails. Let us as ministers and members preserve our unity of religious feelings by faithful prayer and christian perseverance. All of which is respectfully submitted H. T. WEATHERLY, Chairman,

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[K.]

REPORT ON DOMESTIC AND INDIAN MISSION.

In lifting up our eyes we behold the field (which is the world) already white to the harvest. We are reminded of our Lords command to preach the gospel to every creature, but we are again reminded that the laborers are not sufficien, but our Saviour says "pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth more laborers unto the field.

Yet we have no assurance that God will hear and answer our prayers for every cause for which we are not willing to labor and make sac i fice.. Then we are not only to pray God to send us more ministers, but we as christians are to sustain those already engaged in the work and while we shall feel our hearts burn with sympathy for our perishing fellowmen in heathen lands, we should turn an eye to the destitute in our own beloved land and aid the Domestic Board at Marion in their soul saving work. We rejoice to see from the report of the Board that they have been able to employ about one hundred and ten missionaries and agents a part or through the whole of the last year. Scattered through all the slave States, California, Kansas and the Indian territories, they have supplied more than three hundred churches and stations with a preached Gospel; delivered over 8,000 discourses, made 8,500 visits to families for religious instruction and and prayer; held 3,000 meetings for prayer and other devotional exercises; been instrumental in the conversion of some 2,000 souls of whom 1,325 have been baptised, and 400 added by letter and restoration, the report an aggregate of 9,000 members; 138 Sabbath Schools 36,00 pupils; 475 teachers: 141 converts among

[illegible] ministers and [illegible] deacons; the completion of 25 church edifices and the commencement of 15 others. In the performance of these labors they have travelled over 10,000 miles.

As we see from this report that God has blessed the labors of our domestic missions, let us take courage and labor on till all the dark corners of our land shall receive the light of divine truth; and the red man of the forest shall give glory to him that was slain to redeem a world from ruin. All of which is respectfully submitted.

L. M. [illegible], Chair'n

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

MT. CARMEL, NORTHAMPTON CO., N. C.

MAY 10–13, 1859.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

1859.

PROCEEDINGS.

Mt. Carmel, N. C., *May* 10, 1859.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Trotman, from Matthew xvi: 18.—"And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter: and upon this rock I will build my church: and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

After an intermission of thirty minutes, the delegates were called together by the Moderator, and prayer by Elder Overby. Brethren A. J. Askew and W. J. Freeman were appointed Assistant Clerks.

Letters from the churches were called for and read. Brethren John Wilson, W. J. Perry and Joshua White sat as a committee on contributions.

The list being prepared, the roll was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Bro. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats; the following recognized, viz: Elder John Mitchell, of Beulah Association; Elders Mark Bennett and J. G. Barkley, of Pamlico Association; Elder Overby, of Concord, (Va.) Association; Elders Bradford and J. H. Prince, of the Portsmouth Association; Bro. Geo. W. Powell, G. S. Jones and R. R. Savage, of Tar River Association; C. P. Bogert, Agent of the Bible Union.

Elders Trotman, Delk and W. D. Pritchard were appointed a committee of arrangements.

The committee of arrangements reported; report received and committee discharged.

The Moderator then announced the following committees, viz: On Chowan Female Collegiate Institute—Elders McDowell, Trotman and Overby.

On Home Missions—Elders Worrell, Etheridge and Rochelle.

On Reynoldson Institute—Manning, Bouchelle and Webb.

On Periodicals—Askew, Vann and Waff.

On Sunday Schools—Elders Kone, Savage and Benbury.

On the State of Religion—Elders Elwell, Speight and Williams.

On Wake Forest College—Bouchelle, Simpson and Sutton.

On Bible Union—Darden, Bogert and Eure.

On Temperance—Whitson and Darden.

On Foreign Missions—Elders Daniels, Bradford and Bro. Skinner.

On Baptist State Convention—Elder Knapp, Brethren J. S. Mitchell and Wilson.

The Association then adjourned—prayer by Elder Bradford.

WEDNESDAY, *May* 11, 1859.

[Cloudy and cool.]

The Association met—prayer by Elder Bradford.

The Pastor and Deacons of this church were appointed a committee on Pulpit supplies.

Committee on the Reynoldson Seminary reported; report received and committee discharged. [See Appendix letter A.]

Cards were circulated and amount sufficient to relieve the Institute (more than $1,200) was paid or pledged; in grateful acknowledgment for which Elder Trotman led in prayer. The Association then took a recess for refreshment.

On re-assembling, the following brethren were recognized as visiting, viz: Elders A. M. Poindexter, John L. Pritchard, J. J. James, W. F. Broaddus, James S. Purifoy, A. J. Emerson and Henry Petty.

WHEREAS, The orthodoxy of this Association has been questioned, and our religious opinions gravely discussed in the columns of our denominational organ; and *whereas*, we have never desired to conceal or mystify our true sentiments, but as late as 1849, after mature deliberation, revised our original Articles, upon which this body was constituted in 1806, and adopted and published to all whom it might concern, a declaration of our Religious Principles, predicated as we believe on the teachings of the Old and New Testaments; and *whereas*, some of our brethren seem to have forgotten this solemn declaration by our Association, we deem it expedient, as we have experienced no change of opinion since, to re-affirm our declaration of 1849; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we, the representatives of 52 churches, composing the Chowan Association, re-affirm our declaration of Religious Principles, as set forth under 17 heads of doctrine, embodying what we believe to be the true teachings of the Old and New Testaments.

Resolved, 2d. That this preamble and resolutions, together with the 17 Articles referred to, be published by our Clerk in the Biblical Recorder as a response to all questions touching our orthodoxy or heterodoxy, and also be appended to our minutes.

Committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported; report received and committee discharged. [See B in Appendix.]

Committee on Home Missions reported; report received and committee discharged. [See letter C in Appendix.]

On motion the Association adjourned—prayer by Elder Broaddus.

THURSDAY, *May* 12, 1859.

[Cloudy and cool.]

The Association met—prayer by Elder J. L. Pritchard.

Roll was called, also list of Ministers.

WHEREAS, at our last State Convention at Raleigh, a proposition was made to raise $15,000 in North Carolina for "Greenville Theological Seminary;" and *whereas*, subscriptions were at once made to the amount of $5,000 for said object, therefore

Resolved, That we recommend to our brethren to subscribe liberally for this object, that the pledge so nobly given may be as nobly redeemed.

Next session of this body will be held with the Church at Edenton, to commence on Tuesday before 3d Sunday in May next. Elder A. M. Kone was chosen to preach the Introductory and Elder Craig the Alternate.

Committee on the State of Religion reported; report received and committee discharged. [See Letter D in Appendix.]

Committee on Bible Union reported; report received and committee discharged. [See letter E in Appendix.]

The Association then took a recess—the Conventional Sermon Elder Poindexter preached at the stand; after which a collection of $54 91 was taken up.

On re-assembling, the Committee on Periodicals reported; report received and committee discharged. [See letter F in Appendix.]

Committee on Wake Forest College reported; report received and committee discharged. [See G in Appendix.]

Committee on Sunday Schools reported; report received, committee discharged. [See H in Appendix.]

Committee on Finance made the following report:

Amount in the Treasury		141 44
Present Contributions		99 55
		$240 99
CONTRA.		
Printing Minutes of 1858	$65 00	
Postage on same to the Churches	10 00	
Transcribing same	25 00	100 00
Balance in Treasury		$140 99

Committee on Temperance reported; report received, committee discharged. [See I in Appendix.]

Committee on Foreign Missions reported: report received and committee discharged. [See J in Appendix.]

Committee on Baptist State Convention of N. C. reported; report received, committee discharged. [See K in Appendix.]

Following delegations were announced to corresponding Associations:

To the Portsmouth Association—Elders Trotman, McDowell, Knapp and Bro. Whitson.

To the Union Association—Elders Craig, Webb and Pritchard.

To the Tar River Association—Elders Kone, Jno. N. Hogwood and S. W. Worrell.

To the Pamlico Association—Elders Elwell, Bunch and Speight.

Dr. A. J. Askew was requested to prepare a biographical notice of the late Elder John Nowell, to be appended to these minutes.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the members of the church at Mt. Carmel and the citizens of the vicinity for the generous manner in which the members of this body have been entertained.

The Ordained Ministers of this Association were appointed delegates of the N. C. Baptist State Convention, or as many of them as we may be empowered to send.

Resolved, That one-third of the funds in the Home Mission treasury be appropriated to the church at Hamilton, and the remainder be equally divided between the churches at Edenton and Powell's Point.

On motion, the Association adjourned—prayer and praise by Elder A. M. Poindexter.

Attest, G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*.

Services were kept up in the Grove by Elders Elwell, Broaddus and others, when the state of the weather would admit.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by letter.	Excom'cated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie	*W. W. Mitchell, A. J. Askew, W. C. Jenkins	27	4	2	7	2	4	163	34	409	$3 00
Ballard's Bridge	D. V. ETHERIDGE, R. D. Simpson, W. D. Welch	61	...	1	4	5	15	472	109	581	4 00
Berea	*S. F. Overman, *S. Wood, *M. Whitehurst	38	11	...	1	1	1	95	1	96	1 50
Bethel	W. Myers, S. Sutton, A. Bonner	7	3	...	...	5	6	244	35	279	3 00
Bethlehem	J. DELK, W. J. Perry, A. B. Adkins	1	...	...	7	2	1	147	52	199	3 00
Buckhorn	T. D. Vann, B. Moore, A. Brett	21	...	...	3	1	...	94	49	143	2 00
Capeheart's	JOHN N. HOGGARD, W. M. Hoggards *D. Gaskins	2	4	...	3	3	9	262	187	449	2 50
Cashie	W. Hyman, J. W. Heckstall, *A. H. Hassell	18	1	...	2	1	12	186	142	328	3 00
Connaritsa	*W. Dunning*, J. L. Burdin, A. T. Early	...	...	1	14	5	5	220	42	262	2 50
Coleraine	J. Wilson, J. W. Beasley, T. Beasley	...	1	...	10	6	16	284	198	482	3 00
Cool Spring	A. Pruden, J. Carter, *J. A. Carter	39	...	1	1	4	1	193	15	208	2 00
Corinth	H. Galting, M. Brewer, John Vann	2	5	1	...	5	2	101	28	129	2 00
Ebenezer	W. W. Sawyer, J. McPherson, C. J. Spence	10	4	...	3	5	5	94	62	156	2 50
Edenton	T. J. KNAPP, *W. E. Bond, *T. L. Foxwell	7	9	...	4	...	3	71	134	205	2 00
Elizabeth City	S. D. Cartwright, C. W. Kellenger, *F. V. Hoskins*	...	1	2	13	3	12	65	.....	343	2 50
Elim	R. W. Taylor, W. Carstarphen, J. Barham	...	...	...	1	...	3	49	30	79	1 50
Gatesville	S. W. WORRELL, J. R. Hoffler	24	1	...	...	1	1	60	48	108	2 50
Great Fork	O. P. Savage, W. W. Knight, *S. Savage	10	1	...	2	3	...	159	45	204	2 00
Hamilton	J. B. Groves, *J. M. Matthews	6	...	...	...	...	...	20	.....	20	1 00
Hebron	J. O. Outland, H. E. Hoggard, G. W. Joyner	15	1	1	1	1	...	71	5	76	1 00
Hertford	J. A. DANIELS, D. T. Daughtry, C. W. Skinner	3	1	...	...	...	1	43	27	70	1 50
Holly Grove	J. S. Mitchell, W. J. Freeman, *W. B. Watford	2	1	1	1	1	1	49	31	80	1 50
Lebanon	Statistics as per last report	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	.....	28	1 00

Macedonia	P. F. White, W. H. Bonner, Jos. Moran	1	...	...	...	...	1	62	5	67	1	00
Mar's Hill	B. B. Williams, L. Evans, John W. Perry	6	7	...	1	...	2	93	4	97	1	25
Meherrin	W. H. Parker, Wm. Vaughn, J. J. Rochelle	25	1	1	4	...	2	194	108	302	3	00
Middle Swamp	H. Speight, J. A. Rountree, W. E. Matthews	23	3	1	4	2	23	.....	.....	157	1	50
Mt. Carmel	G. Stancill, W. J. Taylor, E. Stephenson	...	2	...	9	...	12	216	90	306	2	50
Mt. Tabor	H. Griffith, A. W. Darden, A. J. Cobb	10	8	...	10	4	7	133	39	172	3	00
Murfreesboro'	A. McDowell, Wm. B. McDonald, Jethro R. Darden	4	7	1	5	...	1	64	8	72	2	00
New Hope	*J. M. Felton, *H. Hoffler	38	...	...	...	2	...	.....	.....	65	1	50
Piney Grove	E. Eure, *E. Howell, J. D. Bouchelle	24	2	1	...	...	...	102	72	174	2	50
Pleasant Grove	G. C. Moore, W. S. Taylor, W. W. Kone.	...	...	...	1	...	...	57	26	83	2	00
Pleasant Plains	J. A. Mizell, *Thos. Hoggard	33	...	3	1	14	...	.....	.....	211	1	50
Potecasi	B. Peelle, L. F. Smith, H. C. Edwards	11	...	...	1	...	2	188	57	245	2	00
Powell's Point	*S. Whitson*, **J. Berry*, **W. D. Chaddick*	3	4	...	1	2	1	51	8	59	1	00
Providence	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Ramoth Gilead	*J. D. Stokely, J. Buffkin, J. Forbes	9	...	...	7	...	5	72	77	149	2	00
Republican	*J. Bunch, C. Pritchard, Wm. Pritchard	4	2	...	...	4	3	163	38	201	2	00
Roanoke Island	No delegate nor letter	...	...	...	...	...	...	55	39	94	.....	
Robert's Chapel	S. Edwards, Isaac Baum, N. F. Maddry	35	2	...	...	2	5	189	51	240	2	00
Rocky Hock	J. B. Webb, *R. R. Felton, *F. Bunch	4	...	...	2	2	5	138	6	144	1	00
Ross' M. H	*W. J. Mitchell, *M. S. Mizell, W. H. Hoggard	46	...	1	4	5	2	335	46	381	2	50
Salem	No delegate nor letter	...	...	...	...	...	...	88	19	107	.....	
Sandy Cross	W. T. Parker, Q. H. Trotman, W. H. Manning	38	1	...	2	1	3	321	80	401	3	00
Sandy Run	J. A. Tyler, *A. M. Craig, J. W. Brown	14	11	1	1	1	6	149	81	230	2	00
Sawyer's Creek	J. D. Elwell, W. D. Pritchard, Alfred Lamb	74	1	10	9	20	8	350	90	440	3	00
Shady Grove	*D. Sanderlin, *D. West, *C. Matthias	9	1	1	4	3	1	.....	.....	109	1	60
Shiloh	W. Briggs, *J. Walston, W. Phelps	102	6	...	...	6	6	326	145	471	3	00
Whiteville Grove	Joshua White, W. C. Simpson, G. W. Simpson	35	1	2	...	2	2	147	10	157	2	00
White Oak	No delegate nor letter	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	10	41	.....	
Yoppim	W. Benbury, *J. Bonner, J. T. Waff	29	4	1	3	1	...	121	34	155	1	50
52 Churches.		871	101	33	146	124	195	7,978	2,608	10,586	$99	55

*Absent. Ordained Ministers in Small Caps—Licentiates in *Italics*.

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor.
2 J. Bunch, Jr. "
3 A. M. Craig, "
4 J. A. Daniels, Hertford.
5 James Delk, Pitchlanding.
6 John D. Elwell, Ives' Store, Va.
7 D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's B'dge.
8 E. Forbes, Camden.
9 E. Hancock, Pitchlanding.
10 David Harrell, Windsor.
11 W. H. Hardee, Greysburg.
12 T. Hoggard, Pitchlanding.
13 John N. Hogwood, Murfreesboro'.
14 E. Howell, Reynoldson.
15 Wm. Hooper, Murfreesboro'.
16 T. J. Knapp, Edenton.
17 W. W. Kone, Murfreesboro'.
18 West Leary, Edenton.
19 M. L. Mizell. Windsor.
20 W. B. McDonald, Murfreesboro'.
21 A. McDowell, "
22 B. Nixon, Edenton.
23 Edward Pierce, Plymouth.
24 Thomas Pittman, Ivor, Va.
25 Wm. Potter, Coleraine.
26 Wm. D. Pritchard, Camden.
27 J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro'.
28 Dossey Sanderlin, Dey's Mills.
29 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
30 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville.
31 Q. H. Trotman, Sunsbury.
32 A. Twine, Powell's Point.
33 Henry White, Merry Hill.
34 John B. Webb, Edenton.
35 B. B. Williams, Coleraine.
36 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville.
37 H. J. White, St. John's.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
2 Joseph Berry, Powell's Point.
3 W. Briggs, Shiloh.
4 W. H. Bunch, Windsor.
5 E. Bunch, Mintonsville.
6 C. P. Bogert, Murfreesboro'.
7 Joseph E. Carter, Murfreesboro'.
8 W. D. Chaddick, Powell's Point.
9 Willie Dunning, Roxobell.
10 J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury.
11 F. V. Hoskins, Elizabeth City.
12 A. Hallowell, Newbiggen Creek.
13 John P. Lee, Murfreesboro'.
14 Ira Odam, Pitchlanding.
15 Abram Pruden, Gatesville.
16 Exum Stevenson, Jackson.
17 David Thompson, Windsor.
18 Samuel Whitson, Camden.

APPENDIX.

[A]

Report on the Reynoldson Institute.

The Committee on the Chowan Reynoldson Seminary beg leave to submit the following Report:

The attention of your body is called to the report made upon the reference at your last session, by the letter of the church at Piney Grove.

The resolution of that church characterizes the report as offensive to one of her communicants and requests a reconsideration. That report states, that "the prosperity of the School depends almost entirely on the condition of the boarding department," and, "that Reynoldson can be nothing but a disgrace to this Association and the Baptist denomination unless that house changes hands." It is suggested that the term "Reynoldson," thus used, was understood to refer only to the hotel then in the charge of the offended communicant, and that the hotel had become a disgrace to the Association. It is very apparent, however, that this is altogether erroneous; the committee meaning and saying, that without a change in the boarding department, which was then notoriously bad, the Institution would become a disgrace. No further allusion than this could have been made, since the boarding department was not under the control of the Board of Trustees.

We are now gratified to state that a change has been made, and that every accommodation is now afforded which can contribute to the comfort of the student. The Institution seemed at one time to be prostrate; it is now, however, gradually recovering, and will, if properly supported, continue to improve. Something more must be done, however, than to express our heart's desire that the Institution should prosper. Material aid must be furnished. Her indebtedness with interest thereon to June next amounts to.....$3,403 37

For the liquidation of which subscriptions have been obtained to the amount of..... 2,172 75

Leaving a balance yet to be provided of..... .....$1,230 62

But these subscriptions are only conditional, and become absolute but on the raising of an amount sufficiently large to pay off and discharge the whole debt. So that unless the residue of $1,230 62 is pledged by others, those who are willing to pay the sum of $2,172 75 become released from their engagement. Surely so small an amount will not be withheld since its payment would be the means of rescuing the Institution from embarrassments that have crushed her to the earth. It is now eight years ago that this Association resolved "to establish a Male Academy within her bounds." Reports of the condition of the Institution thus commenced have been submitted to each recurring anniversary of this body. Appeals for aid have been repeatedly made; and the Institution, the child of the Association, is yet allowed to languish.

The educational department is now in the charge of our worthy brother Jos. D. Bouchelle, who, at his own risk, entered upon its duties when the Institution had seemingly broken down. By an energy and application highly creditable to him, he has again placed the Institution upon a firm footing, and she now needs only the fostering care of her friends and patrons to make her what we most earnestly desire she may become.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. H. Manning, *Chairman.*

[B]

Report on the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

Your Committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute are gratified to report the Institution in a healthy and prosperous condition.

During the present year ninety-seven pupils have been entered, about ninety of whom are now in attendance. This number, it is believed, could be very considerably increased, if the means of accommodation were sufficiently enlarged. For this enlargement there exists a pressing necessity.

The faculty of instruction consists of eight members, the same as at your last meeting with but one change. The character of the faculty as a whole, the ample means of instruction, and the grade of scholarship attained, entitle the Institute to rank among the first of its kind in our country; and your committee are persuaded that this rank has already been assigned to it by the public.

The Trustees have been fortunate in securing the services of two energetic and efficient Agents, who are operating success-

fully in raising funds to liquidate the still remaining debt and to furnish the desired improvements.

It remains only for the two Associations, the joint proprietors of this enterprise, to continue the energetic and liberal policy heretofore exhibited to make the Institution adequate to all the wants of this region of country.

Respectfully submitted.

A. McDowell, *Chairman.*

[C]

Report on Home Missions.

The committee on Home Missions beg leave to make the following report:

During the last year your committee have not employed any missionaries to labor in the bounds of this Association, as there was but a small amount of funds in the hands of the committee. The churches failed at the last Association to send up their usual contributions, but placed it in the hands of the Union Meetings. And the Association at its last session appropriated nearly all the money in hand to some of the destitute churches. That is to say, one hundred dollars to the Edenton Church, fifty dollars to the church at Powell's Point, and fifty dollars to the church at Hamilton, leaving a balance in the hands of the committee of $87 36. And as the Union Meeting in the bounds of this Association has taken in hand the missionary cause, we trust that the Gospel will be preached in all the destitute places in the bounds of this Association.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

S. W. Worrell, *Chairman.*

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Report on the State of Religion in the Churches.

Your committee to whom was referred the State of Religion in the Churches within the bounds of this Association, beg leave to submit the following Report:

Nearly all the information we can get is from the letters; the churches seem to be in peace. God has visited many of them with a gracious outpouring of his holy spirit during the last

Associational year. There has been added to the churches by baptism during the year 871, and several of the churches have not been heard from.

There has been something near eighteen thousand dollars ($18,000) contributed to different objects of benevolence during the Associational year.

We regret to find so small an amount sent up for Home Missions.

Your committee believe it would be better if all that is done in this department were done through the Board of this Association. Your committee believe that while much has been done for various objects of benevolence, that much more might be accomplished if suitable efforts were put forth by the various pastors. We sincerely hope that a much larger sum may be sent to our next Association both for the Home and Foreign Missions.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. L. Elwell, *Chairman.*

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Report on Bible Union.

Your committee would beg leave to report that at no time since the Bible Union was organized have its prospects been brighter or more cheering. It seems that many of the objections to this Institution, and the opposition with which it has had to contend, has been overruled by the God of the Bible for its good. The simple and indisputable principles on which the Bible Union was organized; and the sole object, "that of giving the word of God, faithfully translated, to the nations of the earth," have made the society popular among the people. The society has published two-thirds of the New Testament; also two books of the Old Testament, Job and Proverbs. These revisions were made by the first Committee of Revisers, and are sent out for the purpose of eliciting the criticism of scholars prior to being placed in the hands of the Final Committee. The Bible Union has, at different times, made appropriations for the publication of Karen, Chinese, Burmese, Siamese and other Scriptures in heathen languages. In every case care has been exercised to ascertain satisfactorily that the versions thus patronized were made upon the principles of the Union. These principles require that the translators should maintain the strictest regard to faithfulness and accuracy in rendering the meaning of the original. The society has also published and circulated

many thousand copies of the Spanish and Italian New Testaments, which has been the means, by the blessing of God, in doing much good. They have also employed six Missionaries in Germany, who are laboring with Brother J. G. Oncken, in circulating the pure Word of God, and we are happy to say that the labors of these men have been greatly blessed. Dr. H. B. Hackett, one of the members of the Final Committee, is now on a visit to Greece in behalf of the Union, and is expected to return by the first of next August.

The members of the Final Committee are doing all they can to hasten the revision of the English Scriptures. It is their desire to hasten the work slowly, or in other words, to take all necessary time to have the work well done.

The Union as reported last year, is free from debt, and we hope by the blessing of God it will always remain free from debt.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

C. Peter Bogert, *Chairman.*

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Report on Periodicals.

It would be useless in this enlightened age, to use any argument in favor of a well conducted religious press. It is admitted by all, that the power of the press wields an immense influence for good or evil, according as it may be directed. The reading of religious literature in our Association is, we fear, greatly neglected. We know of many Baptist families taking no religious paper whatever, not even the "Biblical Recorder," the organ of the denomination in the State. Surely the Recorder ought to be in every Baptist family, not only in this Association but in the State; we therefore recommend our brethren to renew their efforts in favor of the wider circulation of the "Recorder."

It is our only medium through which Baptist principles are known and discussed, and through which our denominational wants and objects and plans are learned, of those plans and operations every member of the denomination should be well acquainted—until they are, they can never appreciate the various benevolent enterprises of the Baptists. We therefore most affectionately recommend the brethren to sustain well the "Recorder," and thereby make it such a paper as every Baptist should be proud of.

The "Home and Foreign Journal," and the "Commission," published under the management of the Board of Foreign and Domestic Missions, should receive our patronage and be taken by every friend of the Missionary Cause.

The "Family Visitor," published by our old Brother Potter, as a literary paper, we would recommend to the favorable consideration of the brethren.

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Report on the Wake Forest College.

Your committee are pleased to state that Wake Forest College, now on the firm foundation of a $50,000 endowment, is gradually but steadily advancing to that position among the literary institutions of the South which it ought to have occupied long before this.

The number of students is about ninety.

Since your last session, there has been a change in the Faculty of the College, confined entirely to the professors of ancient languages.

There are six young brethren in attendance who are preparing for the ministry, and are, we learn, making commendable progress, and giving flattering evidence of future usefulness. These brethren, as you are aware, are maintained by voluntary contributions to the State Convention.

Your committee would call your special attention to the important fact that Wake Forest College is the college of the Baptists of North Carolina, and *as* such, is entitled to, needs and *claims* the liberal patronage of the *whole* denomination.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. D. Bouchelle, *Chairman.*

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Report on Sunday Schools.

The committee to whom was referred the state of Sabbath Schools within the bounds of the Chowan Association, beg leave to report: That from the fifty churches within our bounds, we have received reports of Sabbath School statistics from only eleven of them, and several of these very deficient. We would earnestly request that the churches hereafter would embody their statistical information in the form of a table, and not in a continuous line, and omit nothing of interest upon the subject.

This simple request will be seen to be necessary by reference to the letters, in one of which we particularly notice a Sabbath School report in the following style:—"Sabbath School—Teachers and scholars."

It is to be deeply regretted that so few of the churches are alive to the subject of Sabbath School instruction. It is plain proof, that they "Savor not the things that be of God." If a man's heart is *right* towards God, and *right* towards his children, he will seek the law of his God for his guide. That law says "thy children shall all be taught of God," and we are required to teach the holy precepts to our children that it may go well with them. We are to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; and yet, all these precepts are greatly disregarded. We have forgotten to be wise.

The future harvests of the Church are to be reaped from the Sabbath School labors; and the security and perpetuity of our civil rights depend on this institution. Moral principle is here cultivated, and this is the palladium of our rights. Let us therefore labor to impress the name and character of Jesus upon the juvenile mind, and we shall establish for ourselves and our youth a door of hope, and a strong bulwark against the tide of infidelity which is now stealing upon the whole world. It would be greatly to the advantage of the churches, if we could have a pious, intelligent and judicious brother to visit them and discourse upon the subject, and *properly* organize Sabbath Schools.

The colporteur societies within our bounds are promising to aid in the acquisition of a library.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. W. KONE, *Chairman.*

[I]

Report on Temperance.

Having no statistics at command, we can give but little information on the subject.

It appears that there have been 200 divisions regularly organized, besides scores of other good and noble abstemious orders. While we have to regret that a few of said divisions have lost their charter, we rejoice that a large majority are waving their proud banner over communities which were heretofore noted for vice, immorality and drunkeness! While a few intemperate men are getting viler and viler, thousands are becoming warmer and warmer. In some parts of the country, the claims of temperance are so strong, that the very taste of ardent spirits would bring disgrace not only upon the professors of religion, but upon those

who are yet strangers to the call; and we trust that the time is not far distant, when the Church of Jesus Christ will be as fearful to indulge in malt liquors, as she is careful to preserve inviolate her rules, keep unsullied her garments, and make strong her bulwarks.

So much good has been done by the various orders of total abstinence, whereas the child heretofore has gone ragged, dirty and hungry, it is now apparelled, cleaned and satisfied with bread; the mother that was once alarmed and aroused by the drunken shrieks and cries of the husband at the midnight hour, now falls to sleep in nothing but sweet anticipations of the morrow; the husband whose mind was destroyed by the intoxicating, withering and blasting influences of alcohol, and whose body was exposed to blows, bruises, and almost fatal wounds, is now found sitting by his fireside, clothed in his right mind, and holding sweet communion with his family; and the obnoxious and atrocious servant is at his owner's call.

In conclusion, allow us to say that the friends of temperance are scattering seed, the harvest of which is infinite in degree, boundless in extent, and endless in duration.

This is most respectfully submitted.

S. N. Whitson, *Chairman*.

[J]

Report on Foreign Missions.

The committee appointed to consider the present condition of Foreign Missions, report as follows:

The Southern Baptist Convention have missions in China and Africa. The missions in China are located at Canton and Shanghai. We have two male and one female missionaries, and one native assistant. The missionaries during the greater part of the year have been at Macao, owing to the war now existing in Canton. These fields are presenting new prospects, on account of the access to the surrounding country, in consequence of the very liberal terms of the treaty. At Shanghai, we have as our missionaries, Brethren Yates, Crawford, Cobaness, Holmes and Hartwell, with their wives, and native assistants. This mission has a very interesting active church, of some twenty-five or thirty native converts. Still, there is great need of enlargement; both stations need reinforcements, and several new stations ought to be established.

The central African field is still offering an inviting field for labor. We have about thirty preachers and teachers engaged in this mission, and great good is anticipated as the result of

their labors. We regret to notice the death of one of its members, the Rev. John Day, who died in February. He was an intelligent, cultivated, pious and useful minister of the Gospel, for many years superintendent of the mission. His death was a great loss to the prosperity of missions. We have flourishing missionary stations at Yarubu and Abeokuta, and schools connected with them. Already we hear the Macedonian cry from new fields, "Come over and help us." New stations might be planted in South America and Gohon, and much good result therefrom if we had the men to fill them.

Resolved, In view of the present condition of the foreign field for missionary labor, and the encouraging success that has already attended these labors, it is desirable that more laborers be employed to enter these fields, already white for the harvest. To attain this end, it is necessary that Christians should pray more fervently, that the Lord of the harvest would send forth laborers into his vineyard.

Respectfully submitted.

J. A. DANIELS, *Chairman*.

[K]

Report on the Baptist State Convention

Not handed in.

A DECLARATION OF RELIGIOUS PRINCIPLES,

AS HELD BY THE CHURCHES COMPOSING THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA, MAY 19, 1849; AND AS AMENDED AT THEIR LATE SESSION.

I. *Of the Scriptures.*—We believe the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us; and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true centre of Christian Union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and opinions should be tried. 2 Tim. iii: 16; 2 Peter i: 21.

II. *Of the true God.*—That there is one, and only one, true and living God, whose name is JEHOVAH, the Maker and Supreme Ruler of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness; worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love; revealed under the personal and relative distinctions of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct, but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption. Gen. i: 1, 17; Isaiah xliv: 6, 8; Heb. ii: 10.

III. *Of the Fall of Man.*—That man was created in a state of holiness, under the law of his Maker, but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint but choice; being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, of Satan and their own sinful passions, and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defence or excuse. Gen. i: 27; vi: 5; Rom. v: 12; viii: 6, 8; Eph. ii: 1.

IV. *Of the Way of Salvation.*—That the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace, through the mediatorial offices of the Son of God, who took upon him our nature, yet without sin; honored the law by his personal obedience, and made atonement for our sins by his death; having risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, is every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an all-sufficient Saviour. Rom. v: 8; iv: 25; Eph. ii: 8, 9; 2 Cor. v: 21; Heb. vii: 25.

V. *Of Justification.*—That the great Gospel blessing which Christ of his fulness bestows on such as believe in Him, is justification; that justification consists in the pardon of sin and the promise of eternal life, on principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through his own redemption and righteousness; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity. Eph. ii: 8, 9; Gal. ii: 16; Rom. v: 1.

VI. *Of the Freeness of Salvation.*—That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by a cordial and obedient faith; and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, except his own voluntary refusal to submit to the Lord Jesus Christ, which refusal will subject him to an aggravated condemnation. John iii: 16; Isa. lv: 1; Ezek. xxxiii: 11; Rev. xxii: 17; John v: 40.

VII. *Of Grace in Regeneration.*—That in order to be saved, we must be regenerated or born again; that regeneration consists in giving a holy disposition to the mind, and is effected by the power of the Holy Spirit, through the instrumentality of the word of God, so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the Gospel; and that its proper evidence is found in the holy fruit which we bring forth to the glory of God. John iii: 3, 7, 8; 2 Thes. ii: 13; Eph. vi: 17.

VIII. *Of God's Purpose of Grace.*—That election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which he regenerates, sanctifies, and saves sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely wise, holy and unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting, and promotes humility, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it is ascertained by its effects in all who believe the Gospel; is the foundation of Christian assurance; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves, demands and deserves our utmost diligence. Deut. vii: 6; Eph. i: 3, 4; 1 Peter i: 2; Rom. v: 8; Eph. ii: 8.

IX. *Of the Perseverance of Saints.*—That such only are real believers as endure unto the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation. Luke x: 42; 1 Pet. i: 3, 4; Heb. vi: 17, 20.

X. *Harmony of the Law and Gospel.*—That the Law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of his moral government; that it is holy, just and good; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfil its precepts, arises entirely from their love of sin; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy law, is the great end of the Gospel. Rom. iii: 19, 20, 21; v: 21; John iii: 19, 20; Tit. iii: 8.

XI. *Of the Church of Christ.*—That a church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by his laws; and exercising the gifts, rights and privileges invested in them by his word; that its only proper officers are bishops or pastors, and deacons, whose qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the Epistles to Timothy and Titus. Mat. xxviii: 18, 19, 20; 2 Tim. ii: 2; Tim. i: 1, 8; Tit. i: 7.

XII. *Of Church Independence.*—That every church is independent in matters of discipline; and that Associations, Councils and Conferences of several ministers, or churches, are not to impose on the churches, the keeping, holding, or maintaining any principle or practice, contrary to the church's judgment. Acts xx: 28; xv: 22.

XIII. *Of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.*—That Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, and Son, and Holy Spirit; to show forth in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in a crucified, buried and risen Saviour; and is the answer of a good conscience towards God; that it is prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation, and to the Lord's Supper, in which the members of the Church, by the use of bread and wine, are to commemorate the dying love of Christ, and should be preceded by self examination. Acts ii: 28; Mark xvi: 16; Rom. vi: 4; 1 John v: 3; John xiv: 15, 16, 17; Luke xxii: 19, 20; 1 John xi: 27, 28.

XIV. *Of the Christian Sabbath.*—That the first day of the week is the Lord's day, or Christian Sabbath, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor and recreations; by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public; and by preparation for that rest which remaineth for the people of God. Col. ii: 16; Acts xv: 21; xx: 7; John xx: 19.

XV. *Of Civil Government.*—That civil government is of divine appointment, for the interests and good order of human society; and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed, except in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience.

and the Prince of the kings of the earth. 1 Pet. ii: 13, 14; Mat. xxii: 21.

XVI. *Of the Righteous and the Wicked.*—That there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked, and under the curse: and this distinction holds among men both in and after death. Mat. iii: 18; Rom. viii: 1; iv: 21, 22; John iii: 18; Mat. xxv; 46.

XVII. *Of the World to Come.*—That the end of this world is approaching; and at the last day, Christ will descend from heaven, and raise the dead from the grave to final retribution: that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to endless punishment, and the righteous to endless joy; and that this judgment will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness. Mat. xxiv: 30; 2 Cor. v: 10; Mat. xxiv: 26; xxv: 46.

OBITUARY NOTICE.

REV. JOHN NOWELL.

The subject of this short sketch was born in Hertford Co., N. C., 6th day of September, 1803, near Coleraine; near by he spent the most of his life. Elder John Nowell, soon after making a profession of religion, was received and baptized into the Church at Coleraine, on 18th of March, 1832, by Bro. James Delk. As soon as he was received into the church, he immediately manifested a strong and earnest desire to work for Christ and gain the salvation of sinners, which ever afterwards seemed to be the object of his living and laboring; and age nor time effaced from his mind "living for Christ"—but grew with his growth and strengthened with his strength, and instead of losing that heaven-born zeal in his riper years for the conversion of sinners, it has been burning on the altar of his heart ever since, and continued till the day of his death.

He soon commenced praying in public and exhorting men to flee from the wrath to come, and he manifested such zeal for the cause of Christ, that the Church at Coleraine seeing his holy desires and noble exertions for the salvation of sinners, granted him license to preach in June, 1834. He had belonged to the church now but two years, and he began to preach *Jesus* to the people, and was the only theme that seemed to animate him or concern him so long as he lived. He then commenced preaching in his church about the neighborhood and adjacent churches, whenever and wherever an opportunity afforded and it seemed proper, (for although a bold soldier of the cross, he never was forward to place himself where he was not wanting,) he was modest and prudent and diffident of his abilities; his preaching, however, was so acceptable, his deportment so unexceptional, his character so unsullied, that in May, 1835, (only a year after he commenced preaching, and only three years after putting on Christ by baptism,) he was recommended for ordination, and was accordingly ordained by a presbytery composed of Brethren James Delk, Reuben Lawrence and one other beside, but we know not who. In December of the same year, he was unanimously called to the pastorship of his own beloved church, which important position he held till but a year preceding his death, when

he voluntarily resigned. His preaching was attended with much success. Under his ministry many souls were converted, and by him baptized. He built up a large and influential body, the largest church in the Association—he continued to enjoy the confidence of the whole church. He preached the gospel with a fervor and devotion seldom equaled; his sermons were characterized by no display of oratory or learning, but abounded in many useful lessons of wisdom and truth. He was born of humble parentage, and he received only an ordinary education. The deep-toned piety, however, which ever characterized his conduct at all times, under all circumstances, at all places wherever he might chance to be, gave him such a reputation as the *man of God* as any man might justly and truly be proud of. But his usefulness was not to be confined to Coleraine and its vicinity; Ahoskie Church was in need of a pastor; the Rev. George Williams resigned her pastorship to embark for the West in March, 1836. Our Brother Nowell was called and remained with us till the hour of his death, and his labors were blest. He has built up a large church, and surely never did a pastor more completely gain the entire esteem, respect and love, not only of all the brethren and sisters, but of the whole congregation and neighborhood than did he; he was the idol of his brethren and sisters; they loved him with an ardor seldom witnessed.

He subsequently was called to serve the Church as pastor, at Pleasant Grove, which he did satisfactorily for several years, and resigned, the distance being too great for his fast decaying frame. Also, afterwards, he served as pastor (being called temporarily) over the Church at Bethlehem; and at Holly Grove, where he was discharging duties as pastor when he died. He was much beloved by the members of all his respective churches, and gave entire satisfaction to them as their pastor, and he enjoyed their undivided confidence and esteem. Although our Brother was a man of humble pretensions, yet he was a man of such qualities as we rarely if ever meet with. The writer of this humble tribute has known him long, and been intimately associated with him for about twenty-five years, and he can say with truth, that he was the most firm, constant, undeviating, unchangeable, upright man; he ever beheld and he acted as if he were always in the *immediate* presence of God, and that he was always under *His* guidance there can be no doubt, for in storm and sunshine, in heat and cold, in prosperity and adversity he was the same good man; we have seen him in all the relations of life and he was always the same; whether you saw him in the pulpit, on the court yard or muster field, or at the excitement of an election, or whether you visited him at the

nome circle, (as the writer has often done,) or amid strangers afar from home, you ever beheld the same placid countenance, the same *imperturbable, unostentatious, constant, unchangeable man* of God. The will of God was emphatically *his will*. We said we had seen him in all the relations of life, yet we never heard him speak an unkind word to anybody, or about anybody, or use harsh language about any matter whatever. An imprudent expression, or anything calculated to wound the feeling of any one, we declare we never heard fall from his unpolluted lips. We have often thought and expressed ourselves so, in admiration of his matchless piety and disposition. If he ever sinned, it was in thought, certainly not in action.

In his intercourse with the world, he was social and kind, benevolent and generous, just and upright, full always of integrity and honor; as a Christian, was meek, gentle, lowly in heart, deeply pious; was punctual and faithful, always at his post—unless prevented by sickness, and then sometimes he attended when he should not—he was a good preacher. He wore himself out by over physical exertions; he was full of emotion. He had no classic education nor metaphysical mind, but he preached the Gospel of Christ with power and effect. He had a fair intellect, and what he knew was of the Bible, and this was all that seemed to claim his attention. He cared not what the world called good or great, he was for the truths of the Bible. What if his mind was not stored with classic lore, his purity of heart, matchless piety, his unsullied character, his noble bearing and desires, his amiable disposition, godly walk and conversation; in fine, all the Christian graces and virtues, sweetly blended together, more than made up for any intellectual deficiency he might seem to have. His deportment, before the world, was loud preaching. Christ seemed to be even stamped upon his countenance and seen in his conduct. He preached and prayed earnestly for the salvation of sinners; his whole soul seemed to crave, yea, yearn for their salvation—he did much labor and good at protracted meetings—he usually attended many, and did much hard labor. Our brother's disposition was naturally happy—he never murmured at anything, or seldom made complaints like others. His reliance on God's promises were so firm and steadfast—he seemed to leave it all with Him. His motto was, "First seek the kingdom of heaven and its righteousness, and all others shall be added unto you."

He had a small farm, from which he was principally supported; his church—be it to their shame—gave him a mere pittance, but being prudent and economical, but not penurious, he managed to live well and raise up some six or seven children, the most of whom are of his church. He had long been afflicted

with a chronic affection, to which his system finally fell a victim. In his last moments he was calm and serene, composed, and was willing to die, and said he should soon be in the courts of Glory. He was in a stupor nearly two days before his death, and he was not able to talk as he would have done had his mind been clear. But death stole upon him slowly, and entered his chamber as if he were about to encounter a strong man armed, and he feared lest he might rise up in his strength and devour him. He expired on the 12th of February, 1859, in his fifty-sixth year of age; and though no monument may mark the spot where his remains slumber, yet God will decorate his noble brow with a chaplet more beautiful than marble, more durable than brass. His epitaph is already written upon the hearts of all who knew, no, those who knew, never, no, never can forget his lovely disposition, his mild and serene countenance, his consoling advice in affliction, his encouragement in adversity. Our dear brother Nowell is now no more. Death had no terrors for him. Alas! the end of this good man is peace; doubtless he is enjoying the smiles of that Redeemer he trusted, and has joined in with the redeemed in singing Hosannahs to His name :—

Ye Angels above, his glories who've sung,
In loftiest notes, now publish his praise;
We mortals, delighted, would borrow your tongue—
Would join in your numbers, and chant to your lays.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

EDENTON, N. C.,

MAY 15,-19, 1860.

S. J. Wheeler, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

1860.

PROCEEDINGS.

EDENTON, N. C., Tuesday, 15th May, 1860.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder Kone from 1 Thessalonians ii: 113, 14 and 15 verses. Subject—The true basis of an original gospel church.

After an intermission until two and half p. m., the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder E. Forbes.

Brethren W. D. Pritchard, and Wm. Darden, were appointed assistant clerks. Brethren A. J. Perry, J. T. Waff, and R. D. Simpson, sat as a committee on contributions.

Letters from the churches were called for and read.

The list being prepared, the roll was called, and the association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore, was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats. The following were recognized, viz:—*Elders* J. S. Walthall, editor of Biblical Recorder; B. F. Marable, Corresponding Secretary of N. C. Baptist State Convention; Brother C. P. Bogert, Agent of Bible Union; John L. Pritchard, and A. W. Wilcox, of Union Association; G. W. Bradford, of Portsmouth Association; John Mitchell of the Beulah Association; Elder J. J. Lansdell, Agent of Southern Sunday School Union; Elder Henry Petty, of Pamplico Association.

Elder Walthall laid on the table Minutes of N. C. Baptist State Convention, which were distributed.

A new church, constituted at Galatia, in the County of Northampton, asked admission. Her letter was read, and the application referred to Elders B. B. Williams, John B. Webb and E. Forbes, who reported favorably, whereupon the church was received into our Union, the delegates coming forward to receive the right hand from the Moderator.

Elders Trotman, McDowell and Webb, were appointed a committee of arrangements.

Resolved, That our daily sessions begin at nine a. m., and close at one p. m., for the morning, and at two and a half p. m.

Adjourned. Prayer by Elder Webb.

Elder J. Lamb Pritchard, preached in Baptist Church at eight p. m.; Elder Overby at Methodist Episcopal Church, and Elder Bradford at African Church at the same hour.

Meeting for prayer was announced for sunrise tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, 16th May, 1860.

Association met; prayer by Elder Deck. Roll was called.

The pastor and deacons of the church, in Edenton, were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

On motion, Elder Pritchard laid before the association, the progress being made in the erection of a church in Wilmington. He was succeeded by Elder Kone, who laid the claims of the cause in Plymouth before the body.

Committee of arrangements reported. Report received and committee discharged.

Resolved, That the next session of this association be held with the church at Sandy Run, to commence on Tuesday before third Lord's day in May, 1861. Elder T. J. Knapp was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder R. R. Overby was chosen alternate. Elder McDowell was chosen to preach the conventional sermon before the next association. Elders Marable and Elwell were requested to preach the conventional sermons at eleven a. m. to-morrow in this church, and in the Methodist Church.

The following committees were then announced by the chair, viz:—

On Wake Forest College—R. D. Simpson, B. B. Williams and J. M. Morgan.

On Reynoldson Institute—J. B. Webb, J. D. Bouchelle and W. W. Mitchell.

On N. C. Baptist State Convention—B. F. Marable, J. Deck and S. Sutton.

On State of Religion—T. J. Knapp, W. W. Kone and E. Forbes.

On Home Missions—W. W. Kone, S. W. Worrell and J. D. Elwell.

On Periodicals—A. J. Askew, Joshua White and G. W. Kellenger.

On the Bible Union—Bogert, Forbes and Riddick.

On the Female College—McDowell, R. Felton and W. D. Pritchard.

On Sunday Schools—Overby, D. Harrell and C. W. Skinner.

On Temperance—D. V. Etheridge, W. Leary and M. C. Cook.

Resolved That in future the Moderator be requested to appoint the regular committees one year in advance.

The committee made the following

REPORT ON FINANCE:

Amount in the Treasury		$140 99
Present Contributions		107 00
		$247 99
CONTRA.		
Printing Minutes of 1859	$65 00	
Postage on same	11 03	
Transcribing same	25 00	$101 03
Balance in Treasury		$146 96

R. D. SIMPSON, *Chairman.*

Five dollars and fifty cents were afterwards received in letter from church at Providence, and $1.85 collected after Elder Elwell's sermon, making whole amount in treasury, $154.31 cents.

Resolved, That the present committee be appointed a Standing Committee on Finance.

Committee on Bible Union reported. Report received, and committee discharged. [See No. 1 in appendix.]

Committee on Periodicals reported. Report received and committee discharged. [See A in Appendix.]

Association then took a recess until two and a half o'clock p. m.

On re-assembling, the committee on the Female College, at Murfreesboro, made their report. Report received, and committee discharged. [See B in appendix.]

After interesting remarks made, $3,000 were pledged or paid, thus securing the $10,000 subscription and relieving the college from debt.

The Association adjourned. Prayer by Elder J. L. Pritchard.

At eight p. m., Elder Walthall preached in the Baptist Church; Elder Kone at the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Brother Briggs at the African Church. Prayer meeting was announced at sunrise to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, 17th May, 1860.

Association met at nine a. m.; prayer by Elder Walthall. Roll of ministers and delegates was called.

WHEREAS, Our Brother Potter, who has spent the prime of his life in preaching the Gospel, and on account of age and debility, he is no longer able to preach; and, in order to sustain himself and family, having commenced a paper, styled the Family *Visitor*, a religious and literary paper, therefore,

Resolved, That as brethren we recommend the paper to our friends, and do all we can to encourage and sustain this enterprize.

Committee on W. F. College reported. Report received, and committee discharged. [See C in appendix.]

Feeling a deep interest in the success and prosperity of the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute, and desirous of furnishing every facility and accommodation necessary to secure it without the expense of agencies:

Resolved, That we adopt the Institute as a regular object of contribution, and earnestly request each of the churches, composing this association, to take up a contribution annually for this object, and send up to this body, by their delegates, until the Institute shall have been furnished with all necessary facilities and buildings.

Resolved, That we, the Ministers of the Gospel in this association, pledge ourselves, to use our influence and efforts with the churches to which we preach, to carry the above resolution into effect. The pledge was then publicly signed by

Q. H. TROTMAN,	JAS. DELK,
W. W. KONE,	R. R. OVERBY,
EVAN FORBES,	J. D. ELWELL,
B. B. WILLIAMS,	T. JUDSON KNAPP,
D. V. ETHERIDGE,	W. D. PRITCHARD,
THOS. PITTMAN,	A. McDOWELL,
	J. B. WEBB.

WHEREAS, Affliction is always painful to our bodies, particularly to a herald of the cross, because he is arrested in the discharge of the great duty of his life; and, whereas, our esteemed Brother, Q. H. Trotman, has been thus situated for nearly a year, in body, and depressed in mind; therefore,

Resolved, That we have heard of, and seen, Brother Trotman's affliction with deep commisseration: we commend him to the mercy and curative power of our Heavenly Father, and pray that he may be speedily restored to his field of usefulness.

The association then took a recess to hear the conventional sermon by Elder Marable. Elder Elwell

preached at eleven a. m. at the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On re-assembling, the Committee on Reynoldson Institute reported. Report received, and committee discharged. [See D in appendix.]

Resolved, That the services of our worthy brother, Bouchelle, Principal of the Reynoldson Institute, in his efforts to give permanency to the Institute, deserves the highest commendation of this body, and the gratitude of every true Baptist.

Brother J. D. Bouchelle was requested to act as agent for Reynoldson Institute during his vacation, and that we gratefully accept the tender of his services in the agency.

Elders Overby, W. D. Pritchard and Elwell, were appointed delegates to the Portsmouth Association; Elders Webb and J. N. Hogwood, were appointed delegates to the Tar River Association; Elders Kone, Craig and McDowell, were appointed delegates to Union Association; Elders Knapp, Bunch and Williams, were appointed delegates to Pamplico Association.

Committee on N. C. Baptist Convention reported. Report received, and committee discharged. [See E in appendix.]

The chair then announced the following committees to report at the next association:—

On C. Female College Institute—Hooper, Wheeler and A. J. Askew.

On W. F. College—McDowell, W. W. Mitchell and A. J. Perry.

On Reynoldson Institute—J. D. Bouchelle, E. Howell and E. H. Eure.

On Bible Union—A. W. Darden, J. B. Webb and Wm. Dunning.

On Periodicals—W. D. Pritchard, E. Ferebel and M. Sanderlin.

On Temperance—W. H. Manning, W. T. Parker and R. D. Simpson.

On Sunday Schools—T. J. Knapp, T. Waff and S. T. Bond.

On State of Religion—Kone, Trotman and Forbes.

On N. C. Baptist State Convention—Overby, James, Morgan and C. W. Kellenger.

Committee on Home Missions reported. Report received, and committee discharged. [See F in appendix.]

Committee on Sunday School reported. Report accepted and committee discharged. [See G in appendix.]

Association adjourned. Prayer by Elder Overby.

Elder J. J. Lansdell preached in the Baptist Church at eight p. m., and Brother Briggs at same hour in the African Church.

Prayer meeting was announced for sunrise to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, 18th May, 1860.

Association met at nine a. m.; prayer by Elder Marable. The roll was called.

Committee on Temperance reported. Report received, and committee discharged. [See H in appendix.]

Resolved, That the missionaries in our Union Meetings be requested to collect the statistics of Sunday Schools among the churches, and report to the Standing Committee on Sunday Schools, to be appended to their report before the next association.

Resolved, That this association disapproves the selling or use of ardent spirits, as a beverage, in any quantity, at any time or place, and especially by Baptists.

Committee on State of Religion reported. Report received, and committee discharged. [See I in appendix.]

Elders W. D. Pritchard and D. V. Etheridge, were requested to proceed, at their earliest convenience, as a committee to the churches at Powels-Point and Roanoke Island, assure them of our sympathy, and urge them to co-operate with us in sustaining the preached word among them.

Resolved, That the churches in this association be requested to send up contributions to our next session, to aid the Camden and Currituck Union Meetings in the support of a missionary.

Brother M. C. Cook was appointed to prepare a memoir of our departed Brother, Elder W. H. Hardee.

The ordained ministers of this association were appointed to represent us in the next session of the N. C. Baptist State Convention, or as many of them as our contributions entitle us to delegate.

Ordered that three thousand copies of the Minutes of this session be published.

Resolved, That we return our thanks to the citizens of Edenton for the kind reception and hospitable entertainment we have received during our sojourn with them; to our Methodist friends for the use of their church edifices, and to the Raleigh and Gaston, Wilmington and Weldon Railroads; to the steamboat lines from Murfreesboro and Blackwater to Edenton, for their courtesy to our delegates.

Resolved, That we return our thanks to Almighty God for the peace and harmony that have characterized the deliberations of our association.

On motion, then, the association adjourned.

Praise and prayer by Elder Petty.

Attest, G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*.

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk*.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptiz'd	Rec'd by letter.	Restor'd	Dism'd by letter.	Excom.	Dec'd.	White.	Col'd.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie	A. J. Askew, W. W. Mitchell, T. A. Slaughter	3	3	0	5	11	7	222	67	389	$3 00
Ballard's Bridge	D. V. ETHERIDGE, R. D. Simpson, H. Simpson	79	3	2	12	7	5	489	148	637	4 00
Berea	M. Whitehurst, *S. F. Overman, *S. Wood	46	2	0	3	1	3	136	1	137	3 00
Bethel	S. Sutton, W. Myers, J. W. Trotman	49	3	1	2	4	6	270	52	322	3 00
Bethlehem	H. M. Jones, A. Thomas, A. B. Adkins	4	2	1	7	2	0	146	52	198	3 00
Buckhorn	*T. D. Vain, *B. Moore, W. Maggitt	5	0	0	0	2	0	89	49	138	2 00
Capeheart's	G. Cobb, D. Gaskins, W. F. McClaughon	40	2	0	4	6	6	290	185	475	2 50
Casnie	D. HARRELL, W. Ferguson, J. B. Spivy	84	0	0	6	2	0	176	157	333	3 00
Connaritse	*W. Dunning*, *W. T. Sharrock, J. L. Burden	23	2	1	4	4	6	227	56	283	3 00
Coleraine	J. A. Northcott, J. Perry, J. W. Beasly	28	1	4	6	10	9	318	200	518	3 00
Cool Spring	J. M. Parker, A. Pruden, *D. D. Eure	0	0	0	0	0	2	171	16	187	2 00
Corinth	H. Gatling, *M. Brewer, S. L. Lassitter	36	5	2	0	3	2	137	34	171	2 50
Ebenezer	*J. McPherson, W. W. Sawyer, S. Brite	0	2	1	5	8	3	85	56	141	2 00
Edenton	T. J. KNAPP, *T. L. Foxwell, E. Jordan*	4	6	2	4	5	4	72	136	208	2 00
Elizabeth City	R. R. OVERBY, J. M. Morgan, C. W. Kellenger	50	6	10	8	0	5	326	67	383	3 00
Elim	J. Barham, *W. Carstarphen *J. R. Kee	4	0	0	0	0	0	47	25	72	1 50
Galatia	J. Deloatch, J. C. Fleetwood, S. Deloatch	11	33	0	0	0	0	41	3	45	1 00
Gatesville	S. W. WORRELL, J. R. Hofler, J. M. Felton	0	2	0	0	3	1	60	48	108	2 00
Great Fork	*J. S. Pearce, O. P. Savage, W. W Knight	8	0	0	1	3	5	153	48	201	2 00
Hamilton	J. D. Groves, F. D. Huff	5	1	0	1	0	2	23	0	23	50
Hebron	H. E. Hoggard, *I. O. Outland, H. Modlin	0	1	0	1	0	1	71	5	76	1 00
Hertford	R. Felton, M. O. Jordan, C. W. Skinner, Sr	2	0	0	0	0	2	37	30	67	1 50
Holly Grove	J. DELK, *W. J. Freeman, W. B. Watford	0	2	1	0	0	1	50	32	82	1 50
	Statistics as per last Report.									28	
Macedonia	W. LEARY, P. F. White, T. J. Leary	3	1	0	0	1	1	60	5	65	1 00

Mar's Hill	B. B. Williams, J. M. Perry, G. G. Morris	16	4	0	2	1	2	107	5	112	1 50
Meherrin	H. Parker, S. J. Wheeler, W. H. Parker	1	3	0	5	2	3	172	114	286	3 00
Middle Swamp	W. Riddick, S. Rountree, W. E. Mathews	6	0	0	1	1	3	93	74	167	1 50
Mt. Carmel	No rep. first time in history; statistics as per last report							216	90	306	
Mt. Tabor	W. Dunning, W. Darden, A. J. Cobb	9	3	0	2	2	1	139	41	179	3 00
Murfreesboro'	A. McDowell, L. T. Spiers, B. A. Spires	1	3	0	0	3	0	64	9	73	2 00
New Hope	M. L. Eure	0	0	0	2	2	1	00	60	60	1 50
Piney Grove	*E. H. Eure*, J. D. Boushall, W. Gatling	1	1	0	0	1	3	98	78	176	2 50
Pleasant Grove	G. C. Moore, A. J. Perry, W. W. Kone	32	1	1	2	3	1	71	41	111	2 00
Pleasant Plains	J. A. Mizzell, *T. Hoggard	23	0	4	5	12	2	00	219	219	1 00
Potocasi	M. C. Cook, *G. D. Holloman, H. C. Edwards	0	0	0	1	0	5	183	17	240	2 00
Powell's Point	* *W. D. Chaddock* *W. S. Harrison, *J. Berry	0	6	0	2	3	1	00	00	59	1 00
Providence	*T. Williams, *B. M. Baxter, *J. W. Baxter	13	1	0	3	0	0	00	00	91	1 50
Ramoth Gilead	*J. D. Stokeley, A. Spence, *T. B. Williams	1	2	1	0	3	2	65	75	140	2 00
Republican	J. Bunch, Jr., W. H. Bunch, C. Pritchard	7	1	0	5	0	0	164	40	204	2 00
Roanoke Island	*A. Twine, *T. A. Dough	2	0	0	0	10	2	73	34	107	1 00
Robert's Chapel	*S. Edwards, *W. K. Stephenson, *W. Boone	0	1	0	17	1	0	170	50	220	2 00
Rocky Hock	J. B. Webb, R. R. Felton, J. D. Webb	49	6	4	4	3	3	175	11	186	2 00
Ross' M. H.	W. D. Perry, M. Hughes, W. H. Hoggard	33	1	1	0	3	0	361	41	402	2 50
Salem	J. Nichols, A. Fletcher, A. Hallowswell	0	1	0	0	2	0	76	22	98	1 50
Sandy Cross	Q. H. Trotman, W. T. Parker, W. H. Manning	1	1	0	7	2	0	306	72	378	3 00
Sandy Run	W. H. Lee, W. J. Cox, J. Smith	3	6	0	6	1	2	146	80	226	3 00
Sawyer's Creek	J. D. Elwell, E. Forbes, W. D. Pritchard	39	5	2	6	14	3	365	98	465	3 00
Shady Grove	*B. C. Walker, *J. Doxey, *J. Perkins	22	2	5	3	4	0	119	3	122	1 50
Shiloh	W. Phelps, *J. Hughes, W. N. Briggs	31	0	2	0	13	2	344	145	489	3 00
Whiteville Grove	J. White, G. W. Simpson, W. C. Simpson	0	5	0	0	3	1	149	9	158	2 00
White Oak	*Z. Price, *W. A. Holladay, D. Thompson	33	0	0	0	1	1	45	49	94	1 00
Yoppim	H. Bass, J. Bonner, J. T. Woff	0	7	0	2	1	3	122	34	156	1 50
52 Churches.		837	37	45	123	163	112	7539	3043	10811	$106 50

*Absent. Ordained Ministers in Small Caps. Licentiates in *Italics*.

List of Elders or Bishops in the Chowan Association.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor.
2 J. Bunch, Jr. "
3 A. M. Craig, "
4 James Delk, Pitchlanding.
5 J. D. Elwell, Blossom Hill, Va.
6 D. V. Etheridge, Balld's b'dge
7 E. Forbes, Camden C. H.
8 E. Hancock, Roxobelle.
9 David Harrell, Windsor.
10 T. Hoggard, Pitchlanding.
11 J. N. Hogwood, Murfreesboro'.
12 E. Howell, Reynoldson.
13 Wm. Hooper, Murfreesboro'.
14 T. J. Knapp, Edenton.
15 W. W. Kone, Murfreesboro'.
16 West Leary, Edenton.
17 M. L. Mizell, Windsor.
18 W.B. McDonald, Murfreesboro'
19 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro'.
20 B. Nixon, Edenton.
21 R. R. Overby, Elizabeth city.
22 Edward Pierce, Merry Rill.
23 Thomas Pittman, Ivor, Va.
24 Wm. Potter, Gatesville.
25 W. D. Pritchard, Camden C.H.
26 J. J. Rochelle, Murfreesboro'.
27 D. Sanderlin, Dey's Mills.
28 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
29 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville.
30 Q. H. Trotman, Sunsbury.
31 A. Twine, Powell's Point.
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20 Samuel Whitson, Camden.

APPENDIX.

[NO. 1.]

Report on the Bible Union.

Dear Brethren—Your committee beg leave to report that much has been done during the past year for the cause of pure versions of the Scriptures. In this State alone, nearly nine thousand dollars has been raised in cash and subscriptions for this object; of this sum, the Chowan Association has given about four thousand dollars. Since the last meeting of your body, Dr. Hackett has returned from his visit to Greece, and is now busily engaged with other members of the Finance Committee in the prosecution of their work. About 60,000 copies of the New Testament were circulated by the Union, through Brother J. G. Oncken, among the soldiers in Germany during the late war. Scriptures have also been circulated in South America, Italy, and Karen. It has been resolved by the Board to raise this year the sum of $15,000 for the circulation of the Bible in foreign lands. The books of Matthew, John, and Philemon, have been issued since your last meeting. Much of the opposition to the Union has ceased, and many warm friends have been made during the year. At no time have the people seemed to desire a correct translation of the word of God than at the present—impatience as to the completion of the work is manifested on every hand—showing an earnest desire for the Holy Scriptures, free from the imperfections which now render the meaning of some of the most sublime passages obscure to the reader. We trust that this Association which has done so much for this

cause, will continue to do, and pray, until amid the nations of the earth the pure word of the Lord will be circulated, and the people of God will be one, even as Christ and the Father are one.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

C. PETER BOGERT, *Chairman.*

[A]

Report on Periodicals.

Your Committee on Periodicals beg leave to submit the following Report:—

There is perhaps no agency, aside from the preaching of the Gospel, that exerts a more powerful influence on the religious condition of a people, than the periodicals they read. The religious editor preaches weekly through his columns, to five, ten or twenty thousand readers, and each of these, reading and digesting the same truths, are gradually assimilated to each other in mind, thought and effort, and thus that unison of feeling and action is induced, which is so necessary to success in any enterprise. We ought, therefore, to have our periodicals, and we ought all, if possible, to read them.

Resolved, therefore, That we are made grateful to learn of the connection of Brother J. S. Walthall as associate editor of the Biblical Recorder; and also still more gratified to see, under his supervision and management, its great improvement—we therefore recommend it as our denominational paper. We also recommend to our brethren the Commission and the Home and Foreign Journal, both published in Richmond, under the management of the Board of Foreign Missions, as worthy of their support.

A. J. ASKEW, *Chairman.*

[B]

Report on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

Your committee are pleased to report the Institute still in a flourishing and prosperous condition. During the present scholastic year, one hundred

and two pupils have been entered—eighty-four of whom were boarders in the Institution.

Good health, uninterrupted by a single case of serious sickness, has prevailed both among teachers and pupils, and an unusual amount of effective study has been accomplished.

The increase of pupils in the Music Department, at the beginning of the second session, made it necessary to add another member to the Faculty. The other departments are all filled by the same teachers as heretofore.

The finances of the Institute are also in a healthy condition. To secure so large and efficient a corps of instructors as that now employed, and to maintain in suitable style so extensive an establishment, necessarily involves a heavy expense; and yet the income of the institution, for the last four years, has been more than sufficient to meet its current expenses. The excess has been applied partly to furnishing additional facilities for instruction, and partly to the payment of debts. At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, they resolved to admit the daughters of all regular Baptist Ministers to all the literary advantages of the Institute, free of charge, for tuition. It is the earnest wish of the Board, also, to reduce the expense of the Institute so as to bring its advantages within the means of as large a number of the brethren as possible. To enable them to do this, it is necessary that the existing debt shall be paid off, and additional buildings erected.

Two thousand seven hundred and ninety-three dollars are still needed to secure the ten thousand dollars in conditional bond, which this body at its session, two years ago, resolved to raise—a sum which it was then thought would be sufficient to liquidate the entire debt.

Your committee would recommend that the association proceed at once to raise this amount, and thus free the Institution from debt without further delay or expense. Respectfully submitted,

A. McDowell, *Chairman.*

[C]

Wake Forest College.

The Committee on Wake Forest College, beg leave to offer the following as their Report:

This Institution having been so often brought before this association, your committee deem it unnecessary to go into detail in presenting its history, or claims to our churches. It has been in operation over twenty years, and has been instrumental in educating a large number of young men of this and other States, who now have a standing in society, that would do credit to any college in the land. Some of her graduates may be found among the intelligent in the Legislative Halls, laboring for the good of their country and people. And a number are Ministers of the Gospel who are laboring for the benefit of the human race, whose influence for good will last throughout eternity. What has already been accomplished, is well worth all that has been spent upon the college. The accession to the Faculty of Professors Royall and Foote, gives general satisfaction in point of instruction. In addition to the course of study, heretofore pursued, instruction is now given in French and German. The present *session* has been one of unusual interest. Peace and harmony have prevailed among the Faculty and Students, and, what is still more encouraging, a religious influence has pervaded the Institution. Some of the students have, during the present session, exercised *Faith* in their Savior. Brethren, the college needs your patronage. There was a time when this association had over "forty" young men at Wake Forest College, but now, from within the bounds of this association, there are but few students at our college. We regret this very much. You have just as much interest in Wake Forest College as any other association in North Carolina; and, possessing a part in Wake Forest College, this association should take a deeper interest in the college.

The Trustees of the College have now in the field an agent, our esteemed Brother, W. M. Faulkner, who is actively engaged in collecting the amount pledged for the endowment of the college. We learn that about fifty thousand dollars of the amount pledged have been collected, and invested in State Bonds, leaving a balance of about forty or fifty thousand dollars yet to be collected. Brethren, let us help the agent in the collection of this amount. We can greatly aid him by procuring checks, and forwarding to Elder J. S. Purefoy, Forestville. The condition of our college is, in many respects, very encouraging. But while we say this, there is one thing, we fear, will prove to be injurious to its future prosperity—that is the education of beneficiaries of Pedo-Baptist denominations, free of tuition. We regret, very much, to have this to mention, and still more do we regret that this is the case; and to show to the Board our disapprobation of the movement, we append the following resolution:—

Resolved, That, whereas, we have learned with sorrow that the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College have granted unto Pedo-Baptists the privilege of educating their beneficiaries free of tuition; and that also, whereas, we learn that a number of the Brethren have withheld the amounts pledged from the agent. In consequence of this movement, therefore,

Resolved, That we advise the Board of Trustees to rescind the resolution touching this matter at their earliest convenience. All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. D. Simpson, *Chairman*.

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Report on the Reynoldson Institute.

The Committee to whom was referred the condition of Reynoldson Institute, beg leave to offer the following report:

We are gratified to find that, since the last session of the Association, the School has been gradually, but steadily advancing, the number of students being

double what it was one year ago—that the Boarding departments are in excellent condition; the Hotel being under the supervision of Capt. E. J. Parker, who needs no other recommendation than to be known.

We see nothing now to prevent the Institute's rising to that position, which it ought to, and must hold, except a want of patronage, and in its behalf we would make a most earnest and solemn appeal to the denomination. Brethren, will you permit your only Male School to suffer for that nourishment which you can so easily give, and which, instead of being a sacrifice to you, will redound to your own good, the happiness and prosperity of your sons? Surely you will not.

The financial condition is as follows:—

The Original debt was		$3,403 37
On which there has been paid in cash and bonds		2,593 91
		$809 46
Amount of unpaid subscription		733 34
We find an error in subscription at last Association		76 12
Commission due the Agent		436 22
Leaving a balance of, for which no provision has been made.		$512 34

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. Webb, *Chairman.*

[E]

Report on the Baptist State Convention.

The Committee on the Baptist State Convention, report the following:

The Baptist State Convention invites your co-operation and assistance in the high and holy work of missions. The State Convention is an annual meeting of Baptists for missionary purposes. It is de-

signed for this great object—that is, that the Baptist *Churches* of North Carolina may work *together* in spreading the Gospel. Each church is a missionary body. The true question then is, not whether your church will do *anything*, but whether you will act alone or in concert with your brethren throughout the State. If you desire to join your forces with others, the convention presents the best organization for this purpose. Its objects are four, viz:—

1. Colportage.

This is a work for our own homes. It is the Gospel taking possession of the printing press, and bending it to the service of God—compelling the most powerful agency known to man to become a means of salvation. Every lover of Christ loves colportage when he comes to know and understand it.

2. State Missions.

Many parts of our beloved State are neglected by other missionary bodies, and are appealing to the convention for help. Here is a great work that the convention only can perform. It is beyond the reach of associations and churches.

3. Foreign Missions.

Old fields of foreign labor are ripe to the harvest, and new ones are opening. It is expected that other brethren besides Brother Yates will leave our good State to labor in foreign fields. Let us be ready to support him, and all others who may go. Let North Carolina send continual greeting to the heathen.

4. Ministerial Education.

Churches are calling for preachers; associations are calling, the whole State is crying aloud for men to preach the Word. If God has called one to preach, he ought to preach any how; but you know that many are kept back in this age by the want of education. Your own sons and your neighbors' children are in many cases called to preach, and only

wait for mental improvement. Send them all to Wake Forest, or some other school, and do what you can for their support. If they are pious, and licensed by their churches, the convention will educate them. We want every young minister in the State to have the advantages of a course of study at our college.

☞ On pastors mainly depends the success of this work. To them we appeal. Dear Brethren, will you not present this matter to your churches? You can send your contributions through your associations, or directly to Elder J. S. Purefoy, Treasurer of the Board of the Convention, Forestville, N. C.

B. F. Marable,
James Delk,
Samuel Sutton, *Committee.*

January, 1860.

[F]

Report of Committee on Home Missions.

The Committee to which was referred the subject of Home Missions, beg leave to report, that within the bounds of this Association we have no Home Missions under the supervision or direction of this body.

The several Union Meetings within our bounds have assumed the direction of this matter. Having no statistical information concerning this subject, your committee are obliged to submit their report without any definite satisfaction.

Your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Clerks of our Union Meetings be requested to communicate yearly an account of their Home Missionary operations to this Association.

Wm. W. Kone, *Chairman Committee.*

[G]

Sunday School Report.

Your Committee are sensible of the importance of the subject on which they are to report, and regret that they had so little time. We were cheered by the reading of the letters from the churches, to learn that so many of our churches are engaged in this work of love. We are satisfied that every church *can* and *ought* to have a Sunday school, and hope the day is not far when we shall be able to report a Sunday school in every church within our bounds. The youth is not only the hope of the country but especially of the church. Soon we shall have passed away, how important then that our sons and daughters who are to take our places, be trained up in the truth of God. Your Committee would recommend to the churches that they use in their Sunday schools *none but Baptist books*. The time has been when we were dependent upon others for a Sunday school literature, *thanks to God*, that day has passed, and now we can give our children such books as will lead them in the way of truth. The Southern Baptist Publication Society are sending out *large numbers of most excellent* books; also, the S. B. S. S. Union, from either of these houses we can get such books as our children ought to read. We would call attention to the paper of the S. B. S. S. Union, (the children's friend,) we think it worthy of all commendation.

R. R. Overby.

[H]

Report on Temperance.

Your committee believe this to be a subject of vast importance. Past experience has clearly taught us that the use of ardent spirits is a very great hindrance to the cause of religion.

How often have we seen professors of religion mingle with the rabble at the grog-shop, or around the intoxicating bottle, and participating in their unhallowed and profane acts—how degrading to the cause of religion. The christian, from his very profession, occupies a position far above the common mass of mankind. What others do without hesitation, he must shun as the traveller would the fangs of the fiery serpent. His robe is too pure to be polluted by anything that tends to degrade human character. Every professor of Christ should be a beacon, standing upon the cliff of time, directing sinners to Christ.

Intemperance is a vice. It is the prolific mother of crimes, of wickedness, of almost everything which is degrading. It is a disquieted stream that has borne, and continues to bear, on its foul and agitating waters many a promising youth, whose hopes of earth and Heaven, in one sad moment, have all been wrecked in ruin.

Wherever intemperance is found, whether in the senate-chamber or in the hut of ignorance, whether in the Church of God or in the haunt of vice, it exerts a destructive influence which is worse than the plagues, pestilence or fever, and sends a withering blight upon every object on which it breathes. Is it a fact that intemperance possesses such a dangerous tendency? If this be true, why need we say what is the christian's duty respecting it? Shall we say that he should set his face against it? Shall we say that he should touch not, taste not, handle not? If the christian is the light of the world, and if intemperance is the evil which we have represented it to be, how can any one hesitate for a moment as to the course which he should pursue? If the light that is in us (as christians) be darkness, how great is the darkness.

As intemperance is so great an evil, if we drink with the drunken, if we engage in its traffic, if we encourage the dissipated by the use of it ourselves, though in moderation, does not this in us possess at

least the appearance of evil?—and the blessed Savior says, "avoid every appearance of evil." Need we repeat, then, what every christian should do in this matter? The silent conviction of every heart, must be that intemperance is a vice which should never meet with the least encouragement from the followers of Jesus Christ.

We hope, therefore, that every church in the bounds of the Chowan Association will stand shoulder to shoulder against the monster evil of intemperance.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. V. ETHERIDGE, *Chairman.*

The committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That we, the delegates of this association, will do all in our power, consistently with the Bible, to suppress the evils of intemperance.

[I]

Report on the State of Religion.

As far as your committee have been able to investigate the religious state of the churches within the bounds of the Chowan Association, we are prepared to report that, in the main, they are in a healthy and prosperous condition. During the past year many of the churches have enjoyed a precious revival of religion, which resulted in an accession of eight hundred and thirty-seven members to our body, (two churches not heard from.) Nearly all of the churches are blessed with stated preaching, and we are pleased to report that union and harmony prevails among the ministers and people. There are some churches destitute of preaching, principally because there are more churches than ministers. In view of this, your committee would most earnestly

urgé upon the fathers and mothers in Israel, the importance of more earnest prayer, that the Great Head of the Church would send more laborers into his vineyard, and that they prove their faith by their works, in dedicating their sons to God, and training them to become ministers of the Gospel of Christ.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. Judson Knapp, *Chairman.*

Biographical Sketch of the Late Elder William H. Hardee.

Died, on the 16th of December, 1859, at his residence in Northampton County, N. C., in the seventy-sixth year of his age, Reverend Wm. H. Hardee.

The subject of this short sketch was born in Halifax County, on the 2d of September, 1784, where he resided until October, 1812, when he moved to Northampton County. Married in Southampton County, Va., May 1810, he and his consort lived together until January, 1859—the remaining few days of his life he spent in sore affliction. He made a profession of religion at the age of fourteen; was baptized into the fellowship of Smith's Church by Elder Robert Murrell, on the 16th of June, 1815. Soon after his connection with the church, he manifested a desire to labor for Christ, in warning sinners of the wrath to come, whereupon the church gave him license to preach the Gospel of Christ, December the 15th, 1822, and was ordained August 16th, 1823, by Robert Murrell and John Crumpler, and immediately took charge of Smith's Church, as its pastor, and continued to serve that church until 1837—also serving a church in Halifax at the same time, he preached at Vasser's Meeting House until December, 1844, as a branch of Smith's Church. At that time the church was constituted, and he was taken for their pastor, and preached for them regularly until 1849. He statedly preached at Moody's

Church in the Concord Association, and had regular appointments at Fountain's Creek. The churches for which Elder Hardee preached were much blessed; though they may not have multiplied in numbers as much as others, yet they were abundantly blessed with peace and evangelical piety. He did not insist on any one's connecting themselves with the church until they were satisfied that they were subjects of redeeming grace.

Elder Hardee's life, from his connection with the Baptist Church, was remarkable for christian piety, demonstrating, most conclusively, the reality of the religion he professed. His great glory was in the cross of Christ; he delighted in holding forth the blessed Savior as the only hope of the christian. His theme in public, as well as private, was the love of God to man, in the plan of his redemption, in giving Jesus to die in our stead, making the salvation of sinners possible through this great atonement. This inspired his soul with love to God, and by it was actuated in all his acts through life, serving God with a willing mind—not serving him because he had the promise of Heaven, though he looked with the happiest anticipations to that glorious rest, but because he loved him, and the prayer of his soul was, "Lord, what will thou have me to do." Fearlessly he denounced sin in every guise, and as boldly proclaimed the truth under all circumstances. Clear in his views of the plan of salvation, he stood unmoved on the great rock of truth. Elder Hardee steadfastly adhered to the doctrine of the final perseverance of the saints, and rejoiced that we are not left to the imaginations of men for our ultimate happiness in Heaven. The doctrine of justification, by Faith alone, was dear to his heart. Well did he maintain the sinner's alienation from God, and that he only embraced the Savior as his friend by the wooing of the Holy Spirit. The doctrines of Grace, as held by the regular Baptists, were dear to him; nor was he swerved from his steadfastness by the isms of the day. Elder Hardee was severely afflicted

for several years. His whole system became paralyzed, and as nature failed and leaned to its original dust, his faith grew stronger and his hopes abundantly brightened up. His only theme, in his last moments, was the goodness and mercy of God. He looked at death, in its near approach, as a welcome messenger, and embraced it with joy.

Elder Hardee left five sons, one daughter, and a large circle of friends, to mourn their loss.—Though they mourn not as those that have no hope, his voice so long heard in our midst is stilled forever; his spirit has left its tenement of clay, and God hath taken it to himself.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

SANDY RUN, BERTIE CO., N. C.,

May 14---18, 1861.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk, Murfreesboro', N. C.

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Proceedings.

Church at Sandy Run, May 14th, 1861—rainy day.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder Knapp, from Jeremiah 1 : 17—"Thou therefore gird up thy loins and speak unto them all the things I command thee : be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them." Subject—"A courageous minister."

After a brief intermission, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Opening prayer by Elder E. Forbes.

Brethren R. D. Simpson and H. C. Edwards were appointed assistant Clerks.

Brethren A. J. Perry, H. Gatling and A. Thomas sat as a committee to receive contributions.

Letters from the churches were called for and read.

The roll of members being completed, it was called, when the Association proceeded to organization. Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats. The following were recognized, viz : G. Lewis and George Powell from the Tar River Association ; E. P. Powell from Pamlico Association ; Jno. Mitchell from Beulah Association ; C. P. Bogert, agent of the Bible Union.

The Pastor and Deacons of this church were appointed a committee on Pulpit Supplies.

Resolved, That the next session of this body be held with the church at Ballard's Bridge, to commence on Tuesday before the third Lord's day in May, 1862.

Elder John N. Hogwood was chosen to preach the introductory ; Elder B. B. Williams was chosen as alternate. Eld. R. B. Jones was chosen to preach the Conventional sermon before the next Association.

The Association adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder Delk.

Preaching in the church at candle-light was announced ; and prayer-meeting at 8 A. M., to be conducted by Elder R. B. Jones.

Wednesday, May 14, 1861—clear and pleasant.

Association met. Prayer by Elder McDowel.

Roll was called.

Committee on Female College at Murfreesboro reported. Report was received and ordered to be printed. See letter A in Appendix.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported. Report received and ordered to be printed. See B in Appendix.

The committee on Reynoldson Institute reported. Report received and ordered to be printed. See C in Appendix.

Brethren John W. Moore, and W. W. Mitchell were appointed a committee to which was referred the letters from certain churches, recommending the setting apart of some day for prayer and fasting in view of our national distresses.

Committee on Temperance reported. Report received and ordered to be printed. See D in Appendix.

Association took a recess for one hour for refreshments.

On re-assembling, the committee on the Bible Union reported; the report was laid on the table.

Resolved, That the present condition of affairs renders co-operation on the part of this Association with the Bible Union movement, impolitic, unfeasible, and impossible, and this body hereby deprecates any further agency in our bounds for the purpose of aiding such undertakings. We further recommend to those owing subscriptions to the Bible Union to withhold the same until affairs shall have changed their present aspect.

Resolved, That in so doing, we intend no reflection on the piety or character of the Agent, Bro. C. P. Bogert, whose conduct entitles him to the confidence and respect of this Association.

Committee on Periodicals reported. Report received and ordered to be printed. See E in Appendix.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported. Report received and ordered to be printed. See F in Appendix.

Committee on Finance made the following

REPORT ON THE TREASURY.

Amount in the Treasury,		$146 96
Present contributions,		85 50
		$232 46
CONTRA.		
Printing Minutes of 1860,	$65 00	
Postage on same,	11 39	
Transcribing,	25 00	$101 39
Balance in the treasury,		$131 07

Association adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder Webb. Elders Mitchell and Leary preached at the stand to-day, and Elder R. B. Jones at candle-lighting in the church.

THURSDAY, May 16, 1861—pleasant day.

Association met at 9 A. M. Prayer by Elder Speight. Roll of delegates called; list of ministers called and corrected.

Resolved, That we heartily commend the enterprize of Bro. Potter, the publication of the N. C. Baptist Preacher, to the patronage of the brethren in the Chowan Association and throughout the State.

The committee on letters from those churches asking the setting apart a day of fasting and prayer, reported. Report received and ordered to be printed. See G in Appendix.

Association took a recess until 2 P. M. to hear the Conventional sermon by Elder McDowell and for refreshment. The collection amounted to $37 85.

On re-assembling, the following committees were appointed to report at the next Association, viz:

On C. F. Collegiate Institute—McDowell, Spires, J. W. Moore.

Reynoldson Institute—J. D. Boushall, Ed. Howell, J. D. Goodman.

Temperance—Knapp, Jno. C. Trotman, Wm. Felton.

State Convention—R. B. Jones, R. Felton, Samuel Sutton.

W. F. College—A. J. Askew, W. W. Mitchell, H. M. Jones.

Periodicals—E. Jordan, John Wilson, B. B. Williams.

Sunday Schools—J. D. Elwell, E. Forbes, Ed. Ferebee.

The following delegations to corresponding Associations were announced:

To the Portsmouth Association—Elwell, E. Forbes, Overby.

To the Tar River—Jere Bunch, Jr., Hancock, B. B. Williams.

To the Pamlico—Jno. B. Webb, D. V. Etheridge, S. W. Worrell.

To the Union—Delk, W. Leary, H. Speight.

Committee on Baptist State Convention reported. Report received and ordered to be printed. See H in Appendix.

Committee on State of Religion made a verbal report. Report received and committee discharged.

Committee to confer with Elders Etheridge and Forbes in

reference to their labors in Camden and Currituck counties reported. Report received and ordered to be printed. See I in Appendix. $45 were raised and contributed for compensation of the brethren.

The committee consisting of Elders Knapp, Webb and Bro. R. D. Simpson, appointed to prepare a biographical sketch of the late Elder Barnabas Nixon, were allowed until our next session to prepare the sketch.

In granting letters of dismission, the churches are recommended to limit them to 12 months, and churches receiving members on letters of dismisslon, give immediate information to churches granting such letters.

The ordained ministers of this Association were appointed to represent this Association in the N. C. Baptist State Convention so far as our funds will entitle us.

The Clerk is instructed to have 3,000 copies of these Minutes printed and distributed by mail among the churches.

Resolved, That our thanks be recorded for the generous hospitality with which the members of this Association have been entertained by the members of the church at Sandy Run and by the citizens in the vicinity.

Resolved, That we express our heartfelt thanks to our Heavenly Father for His kindness in vouchsafing to us His holy presence and giving us so harmonious and pleasant a session.

The Association then adjourned. Praise and prayer by Elder E. Jordan.

Elder Jordan preached at the stand at 11 A. M., and Elder H. Speight at 2 1-2 P. M.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk.

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor.
2 J. Bunch, Jr., "
3 A. M. Craig, "
4 James Delk, Pitch Landing.
5 J. D. Elwell, Blossom Hill, Va.
6 D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge.
7 E. Forbes, Camden C. H.
8 E. Hancock, Roxobel.
9 David Harrell, Windsor.
10 T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
11 J. N. Hogwood, Murfreesboro'.
12 E. Howell, Reynoldson.
13 Wm Hooper, Murfreesboro'.
14 R. B. Jones, Hertford.
15 E. Jordan, Coleraine.
16 T. J. Knapp, Edenton.
17 West Leary, Edenton.
18 M. L. Mizell, Windsor.
19 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro'.
20 R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City.
21 Edward Pierce, Merry Hill.
22 Thos. Pittman, Ivor, Va.
23 Wm. Potter, Gatesville.
24 J. J. Rochelle, Jackson.
25 D. Sanderlin, Camden.
26 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
27 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville.
28 Q. H. Trotman, Mintonsville.
29 A Twine, Powell's Point.
30 Henry White, Mill Landing.
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8 W. D. Chaddick, Powell's Point.
9 Willie Dunning, Roxobel.
10 W. L. Fitcher, Carrsville, Va,
11 T. L. Foxwell, Edenton.
12 J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury.
13 F. V. Hoskins, Elizabeth City.
14 A. Hollowell, "
15 J. P. Lee, Murfreesboro'.
16 T. J. Leary, Edenton.
17 Ira Odham, Pitch Landing.
18 Abram Pruden, Gatesville.
19 D. J. Roberts, Newby's Bridge.
20 Exum Stevenson, Jackson.
21 Sam'l Whitson, Camden.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excommunicated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie,	A. J. Askew†, W. W. Mitchell, W. C. Jenkins,	31	18	4	8	3	8	347	75	422	$ 3 00
Ballard's Bridge,	D. V. Etheridge, R. D. Simpson, J. L. Privett†,	59	2	0	32	7	7	469	182	652	4 00
Berea,								136	1	137	
Bethel,	J. J. Burgess, J. W. Trotman, A. Bonnert†,	8	1	0	0	4	4	262	55	317	3 00
Bethlehem,	Abram Thomas, H. M. Jones,† G. T. Holloman,	0	2	0	15	9	0	206	57	263	3 00
Buckhorn,	T. D. Vann, J. W. Barnes†, J. Warren,†	0	0	0	0	0	0	88	51	139	2 00
Capeheart's,	H. White, E. Pearce,† D. Gaskins,†	17	3	0	0	9	6	292	185	477	2 50
Cashie,	D. Harrell, W. Folk†, John H. Lee,	3	3	0	5	0	11	187	180	367	3 00
Connaritsa,	A. J. Dunning, J. L. Mitchell, J. L. Burden,	31	4	0	4	0	2	250	60	310	3 00
Coleraine,	E. Jordan, J. W. Beasley, D. Watford†,	60	3	1	8	9	7	325	200	525	3 00
Cool Spring,	A. Pruden,† J. Carter,† D. D. Eure,†	00	0	0	2	1	3	168	16	184	2 00
Corinth,	H. Gatling, B. Lassiter, M. Brewer,	00	7	2	3	5	1	135	35	170	2 00
Ebenezer,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	85	56	141	
Edenton,	T. J. Knapp, *T. L. Foxwell*, C. G. Manning,	00	2	0	3	3	5	69	130	199	2 00
Elizabeth City,	No delegation,	66	4	2	0	1	0	385	74	459	3 00
Elim,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	47	25	72	
Gatesville,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	60	48	108	
Great Fork,	O. P. Savage, J. Rogers,† W. W. Knight†,	19	2	0	1	1	1	171	50	221	2 00
Galatia,	J. C. Fleetwood, R. P. Stevenson,† M. E. Delsatch,†	00	0	4	0	0	1	45	3	48	1 00
Hamilton,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	23	00	23	
Hebron,	H. E. Hoggard, I. O. Outland, N. S. Hoggard,	18	0	0	0	6	1	83	12	95	1 00
Hertford,	R. B. Jones, R. Felton,† U. W. Speight,	15	6	0	1	2	2	37	45	82	2 00
Holly Grove,	J. Delk, W. J. Freeman,† J. S. Mitchel,†	1	3	0	1	1	1	50	33	83	1 50
Lebanon,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	00	00	28	
Macedonia,	W. Leary, W. H. Bonner,† P. F. White,†	00	2	0	1	1	0	60	5	65	1 50

Mar's Hill,	B. B. Williams, D. Evans, J. M. Perry,†	8	0	0	8	0	0	65	8	73	2	00
Meherrin,	J. Baugham, S. J. Wheeler, Jno. J. Parker,†	22	5	3	4	1	3	213	104	317	3	00
Middle Swamp,	H. Speight, W. Riddick,† W. E. Mathews,†	5	1	0	3	3	0	88	78	166	1	50
Mt. Carmel,	L. Stevenson, E. W. Edwards, B. E. Peele,	19	3	0	16	3	15	200	86	286	2	50
Mt. Tabor,	R. B. Cobb,† A. J. Cobb, J. D. Gatling,	51	7	1	3	0	0	187	53	240	3	00
Murfreesboro',	J. W. Moore, A. McDowell, B. A. Spires,	8	0	0	8	0	0	65	8	73	2	00
New Hope,	Statistics as per last report,	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	60	60		
Piney Grove,	E. Howell,† J. D. Boushall,† *W. L. Fitcher*,	8	1	0	1	4	0	95	81	176	2	50
Pleasant Grove,	G. C. Moore, A. J. Perry, W. S. Tayloe,	8	2	0	0	0	1	78	42	120	2	00
Pleasant Plains,	T. Hoggard, J. A. Mizell,†	0	1	4	0	18	3	00	209	209	2	00
Potecasi,	M. Cooke, G. D. Holloman, H. C. Edwards,	6	0	0	2	4	6	190	56	246	2	00
Powell's Point,	Statistics as per last report,	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	00	59		
Providence,	Statistics as per last report,	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	00	91		
Ramoth Gilead,	Statistics as per last report,	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	75	140		
Republican,	J. Bunch,† C. Prichard, W. Spivey,	10	1	0	0	2	3	167	43	210	2	00
Roanoke Island,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	73	34	107		
Robert's Chapel,	J. Atkinson, S. Edwards,† J. W. Strickland,	22	3	0	12	5	2	170	55	225	2	00
Rocky Hock,	J. B. Webb, R. R. Felton,† T. Cockran,†	00	5	0	1	0	2	177	11	188	2	00
Ross' M. H.,	W. D. Perry, C. White, W. H. Hoggard,	20	1	5	0	7	2	369	44	413	2	50
Salem,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	76	22	98		
Sandy Cross,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	306	72	378		
Sandy Run,	A. M. Craig,† T. Pitman,† E. Hancock,	13	2	1	2	2	1	147	93	240	3	00
Sawyer's Creek,	J. D. Elwell,† E. Forbes, W. B. Ferebee,†.	58	1	0	12	12	0	385	112	497	3	00
Shady Grove,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	119	3	122		
Shiloh,	Statistics as per last report,	00	0	0	0	0	0	334	145	489		
Whiteville Grove,	J. White, W. C. Simpson,† G. W. Simpson,†	19	0	0	3	7	2	160	12	172	2	00
White Oak,	N. Davis,† W. Ward,† A. Davis,	5	0	0	0	1	3	42	53	95		50
Yoppim,	*H. Bass*,† J. Bonner,† J. T. Woff,	15	0	0	1	4	0	128	38	166	1	50
53 Churches.		625	95	27	160	135	93	7879	3175	11054	$85	50

†Absent. Ordained ministers in Small Caps—Licentiates in *Italics*.

Appendix.

A.

REPORT OF CHOWAN FEMALE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

Dear Brethren:—We are happy in having it in our power to present you a favorable Report of this Institution, the object, we trust, of your solicitude and affection. Our numbers, during the two sessions, have amounted to near a hundred; but, in the course of a few weeks, owing to the present state of agitation through the country, a good many parents have taken away their daughters, so as to reduce our number to 68. This withdrawal of our pupils we conceive to be unnecessary and inexpedient; as our locality offers as safe and tranquil a retreat for the daughters of our patrons as the country can furnish, and it seems a pity that the political convulsions of our land should interrupt the improvement of the young, at least of our daughters, who are not needed for the public defence. We hope parents will get over this needless alarm, and bring their daughters back.

By the kindness of Providence, no death and but little sickness has interfered with the progress of the pupils. There has been a general spirit of good order, and in the course of our session, since October, a pleasing manifestation of religious feeling. Several have been baptized, and others seem to be concerned for their salvation. We therefore are encouraged to think that the Institute continues to present a worthy cause for your gratification, and a worthy object of your patronage. The total suspension of other Schools during the present disturbances in our political affairs, demonstrates how much more fortunate we are than they, in the location of our Institute.

In conclusion, dear Brethren, while we condole with each other on the unhappy state of our common country, let us prepare ourselves for a temporary eclipse and decline of our cherished Institution; expecting it, like every other work of prosperous peace, to suffer in these disastrous times, and re-

signed to bear our share in the sufferings of our endangered country. Praying God to preside over your deliberations, I remain Fraternally yours,

W. HOOPER, Pres't.

B.

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Your committee on Wake Forest College beg leave to snbmit the following:

While this Institution, in common with all others of a similar character, is suffering a diminished patronage from the political agitation which now convulses the country, yet it has enjoyed a reasonable measure of success; and it is still prosecuting its appropriate work, while many other schools have been compelled under the pressure of present circumstances temporarily to suspend. The Faculty of the College, upon whom its efficiency mainly depends, is composed entirely of men in the prime of life; they are all men of Southern birth and Southern education, and with but one exception, graduates of the Institution in which they are now instructors.

These are all circumstances that should tend to assure the public of their devotion to the interest of the College and of their fitness for the position they occupy.

The work accomplished by the College affords the best evidence of its utility to the denomination, and of the efficiency with which it has been conducted. Of the whole number of its graduates, above one-third are ministers of the gospel, who in this, or in other States, or in foreign lands, are successfully preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ; many others are influential laymen in our churches, and are rapidly rising to distinction in the professions and pursuits to which they have devoted themselves; while but a fraction over two per cent. have fallen under the influence of that most insidious and destructive of all vices, intemperance, and about the same proportion have proved unsuccessful from other causes. These facts constitute the highest eulogy that could be pronounced on the College, and they effectually refute, in regard to *this* College, the declaration often made in regard to Colleges in general, that they are nurseries of idleness, extravagance and dissipation rather than of sound learning. Wake Forest College is believed to be eminently worthy of patronage, and this

Association having contributed largely to its creation and endowment, ought now to sustain it by an undivided support.

Respectfully submitted.

A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

C.

REPORT ON REYNOLDSON INSTITUTE.

Your committee to whom was referred the condition of Reynoldson Institute, report that it is gratifying to learn that notwithstanding the distracted state of the country during the present scholastic year on account of which some Schools of like character have been greatly reduced in number, and others have even suspended operations, it has continued its slow but steady increase, and was fast regaining the confidence which it once enjoyed. The number of pupils entered during the present year is fifty-six—an increase of more than 50 per cent. on the number reported at your last session.

Since your last meeting, Bro. James M. Taylor, of Gates county, a graduate of Wake Forest College, and an excellent instructor, possessed of fine talent and an excellent scholar, has formed an association with the former principal, so that the Institute now offers facilities for a practical, scientific or classical education, which are not surpassed if equaled, by any other School of like character in this section of the country.

It will, no doubt, afford you considerable pleasure to learn that the Principals of the School have become the sole proprietors of the boarding house known as the "Reynoldson Hotel," and are endeavoring to make it what it should have been from the beginning—an *auxiliary* to the School, and not a means of pecuniary advancement.

The financial affairs of the Institute were in a most flattering condition previous to the outbreaking of our national hostilities, and bade fair to be entirely closed up in a few months, but now nothing is doing in that respect. We believe that the amount of subscriptions due are nearly sufficient to liquidate the debt of the Institute.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDWARD HOWELL, Chm'n.

D.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The committee to whom was referred the subject of Temperance, beg leave to offer the following as their report:

The glory of the Temperance Reformation can never be effaced from the annals of the world's history. The reclamation of God's race from the bondage of sin and shame, and placing them again in the path of freedom, happiness and hope, attest the virtue of the principle by which, under God, they were saved, and constituted an achievement of enduring honor and renown. No human enterprise has ever been inspired by nobler motives, or sustained and carried forward with more heroic and unselfish sacrifices than the temperance reform.

The best and most gifted men the world has ever seen, cheerfully devoted their time and talent to the blessed enterprise, ofttimes suffering obloquy and reproach for conscience sake, but yet persevering against every obstacle for the overthrow of the giant iniquity that overspreads the land. The host of noble spirits who led the enterprise, struggled manfully against the tide of opposition, founded on long established and pernicious customs, that bore down upon them, until they succeeded in stemming its wild opposition and turned it in their favor.

The records of Heaven, concerning the doings of men, contain no brighter page than that on which is inscribed the history and achievements of the Temperance enterprise.

While we rejoice in the past triumphs of the cause, in different sections of our country, and point with just pride to the glory surrounding its history, we deeply regret that so little has been accomplished in our own bounds.

Brethren there is need of further sacrifices and earnest labor in our bounds in its behalf. The enemy is yet abroad in our land, and thousands are bound in his toils, waiting for deliverance. Shall we, the people of God, disregard the promptings of humanity, calling for interposition in their behalf, and refuse our aid in their extremity? Heaven forbid! No man truly inspired by love to God and his fellow man, can feel indifferent to the struggle going on in the world between the antagonistic principles of virtue and vice, and no good citizen can be neutral in the contest. He must take sides. We trust that in the battle against the alcoholic enemy of man, no member belonging to this Association, will ever be willing to lay

aside his armor, or retire ingloriously from the field, while the battle yet rages. With faith and energy, we shall, with the blessing of God, accomplish ultimately a victory that will be a fitting crown to the Temple of Honor that has already been raised to commemorate the progress and achievements of the cause. Let us persevere to the end.

R. D. SIMPSON, Chm'n.

E.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Periodicals believe, that the interests of our denomination, imperiously demand, that we should have a state denominational organ, and that it should be extensively circulated.

Since the last meeting of your body, Elder James has transferred his entire interest in the Recorder to Elder J. D. Hufham, who is now sole editor and proprietor. Your committee feel that they can heartily recommend the Recorder, under its present management, to your body as being worthy of its support.

We would, furthermore, recommend that each pastor in the Association do what he can to extend the circulation of the Recorder.

We would also recommend the Commission and Home and Foreign Journal, both published by the Board of Foreign Missions, Richmond, Va., the former at $1, the latter at 25 cents per annum.

R. B. JONES, Chm'n.

F.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The cause of Sabbath Schools is one of the greatest, most noble and glorious enterprises in which man can be engaged. The primary object of the Sabbath School is to impart scriptural knowledge, religious instruction, the knowledge of Him whom to know is life eternal. We regard the Sabbath School as the nursery of the church—the hope of the world. It can not be expected that we should present this subject to all its

bearings and relations in one short report; but we would respectfully submit that we can greatly enlarge our denominational borders, and largely increase our means of doing good, by arousing ourselves as a people to do more than we have done for the cause of Sabbath Schools.

It is depressing to reflect on the account that God will require of those who excuse their neglect of this work, unless they shall repent and be more zealous in it for the future. We have an inspired declaration which says, "Train up a child in a way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." We believe that "the way," is the way marked out in the gospel, and that all others lead astray; we do, therefore, earnestly entreat our brethren to discard all books published by the Sabbath School Union, and all other books of a similar nature, gotten up as they are on the compromise principle, which always implies a suppression of the truth, and use those only that present the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. Such books are furnished by the Southern Baptist Publishing Society, and the South western publication house; from either of these houses we may procure such books as we may, with safety, place in the hands of our children.

The following churches resport as follow:

	Teachers.	Scholars.	Vol. in Lib'ry.
Ballard's Bridge,	10	90	270
Bethel,	15	97	250
Edenton,	13	56	200
Great Fork,	9	25	
Meherrin,	8	80	700
Mt. Carmel,	8	60	100
Mt. Tabor,	15	55	
Pleasant Grove,	6	47	

G.

ON A DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER.

Your committee appointed in accordance with the request of several of the churches that this Association take some steps toward the appointment of a day of fasting, humiliation and prayer, unite in the opinion that the present perilous condition of our affairs as a people, imperiously demand at our

hands this pious and suitable acknowledgement of our dependence. We are, to all human appearances, on the brink of one of the most terrible malignant struggles that ever marred the annals of the world. Eight millions of whites, with their four millions of slaves, are confronted by eighteen millions, who have hitherto lived under the same government, and are now threatened with such calamities as no nation, since unhappy Troy, has experienced.

Life, liberty, honor, property, and all things that make existence pleasant and desirable will be ruthlessly torn from our possession, unless, under the blessings of an overruling and benign Providence, we are prepared to roll back the brutal tide with our own stout arms. Nothing but the resistless decree of Almighty and unfailing power, can avert the deadly conflict of the men now rapidly assembling on both sides of the vast domains of our country. We are convinced that wisdom and discretion on the part of the men directing affairs are essential to ultimate success. We know the indomitable valor of the citizen soldiers who are baring their breasts to the storm that assails us, but we, at the same time, are aware that our triumph in such a conflict can not be bloodless. Widow's tears and orphan's wails would mingle with the thunder of our cannon, heralding a victory however glorious to our arms. Then as christians and as patriots we desire peace. We wish no war if the Northern people do not compel us to take up the fatal gauntlet, therefore, in view of the foregoing premises the Chowan Baptist Association in convention assembled on this 16th of May, A. D. 1861, declares

Resolved, That this body concurs in the suggestion of the Georgia Baptist State Convention, to his Excellency, President Davis, that he set apart and recommend to the people of the Confederate States, of which our own commonwealth is so soon to become a member, a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer, that God may, in his mercy, avert from our land the evils of war, and in case our sinfulness demands such chastisement, that our armies may achieve for us a speedy, honorable and lasting peace.

Resolved, That this body disavows all claim to binding authority, whether in matters temporal or spiritual. And we, as the free citizens of a sovereign commonwealth, declare our confidence in the justice and moderation which has hitherto characterized the Southern States. Having failed to live in amity with the people of the North, we hold that they are

right in their demand to be let alone in their efforts to establish a separate and independent government.

Resolved, Having an abiding confidence in the justice of our cause, we believe it to be our duty as christians and freemen to contribute our utmost endeavors to uphold and defend our institutions and to resist, to the direst extremity, the criminal efforts of Abraham Lincoln and his supporters to subvert and destroy the same.

Resolved, That we admire and approve the heroism and devotion manifested by the patriots of our land who are volunteering by thousands to do battle in defence of our liberties, our religion, and our firesides.

Resolved, That we look forward with pleasure to the early formal connection of North Carolina with her sisters of the Confederated States.

Resolved, That the presiding officer of this body be instructed to transmit copies of these resolutions to his Excellency, Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States; to the Hon. Howell Cobb, President of the Confederate Congress; to his Excellency, John W. Ellis, Governor of the State of North Carolina, and to the presiding officer of the Convention of the State of North Carolina.

Resolved, That we, for ourselves, recommend to our churches to observe the 1st and 2d days of June next as days of humiliation, fasting and prayer to avert the horrors of civil war from our beloved country, but if a conflict ensues, that the Lord of Hosts, the God of Jacob may be with us.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. W. MOORE, Chm'n.

H.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following. Not having access to the proceedings of the Convention, we are not prepared to report to you what has been done during the past year.

The Board of the Convention desires to secure the co-operation of all the Associations in the State in the present work of the Convention, viz: Missions. This is the high and holy work for which the Convention was organized. Every church is a Missionary body, and ought to be engaged in this, its le-

gitimate work, at home and abroad. But in order to efficiency and success, there must be union of effort and concert of action. The Convention presents an organization by which the churches may act together in this great work.

It embraces four leading objects. 1. Colportage. By this we take possession of the printing press, and use it for the dissemination of religious truth. Bibles and religious books and tracts, circulated and read, are, with the blessing of God, efficient agents, in the great work of disseminating the truth and saving souls.

2. Home Missions. Many parts of our State, especially in the middle and west, are neglected by other missionary bodies, and are looking to the Board of the Convention for help. This is its great work. It is not within the reach of churches and Associations, but is the legitimate work of our Convention. The Board calls upon you, dear brethren, as a part of the great family in North Carolina, to remember the destitute in our State, and help.

3. Foreign Missions. The field is large and white to the harvest, and God is still opening new and larger fields, and is saying with us, go up and possess the land.

4. Ministerial Education. Churches and Associations are calling for ministers. The nations of the earth are stretching forth their hands and saying, come over and help us.

Our brethren feel it to be their duty, as far as they can, to aid those who are called of God to preach the gospel, and thus become fellow helpers to the truth.

The Board of the Convention, dear brethren, desire and earnestly solicit the aid and co-operation of the Chowan Association in carrying forward these great objects, for the glory of God and the good of man.

Respectfully submitted,

J. MITCHELL,
S. J. DUNNING,
J. WHITE.

I.

Your Committee would report that in compliance with the resolution of the last Association, brother Etheridge spent 17 days in laboring for the destitute on Roanoke Island, and at Powell's Point, and brother Forbes 13 days. We recommend that you allow them $1.50 a day for the time engaged. Thus Elder Etheridge would receive $27, and Elder Forbes $17. The churches have been much revived and the feeble strengthened by the visit of the brethren, and express a strong desire to have the gospel preached among them. During the visit of the brethren 11 were baptized.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. WEBB, Chm'n.

[ADVERTISEMENT.]

THE TRUSTEES

OF

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE,

Avail themselves of a privilege allowed them by the Brethren of the Chowan Association, to notice the Institution which they have in charge. It is unnecessary to do more than to state some prominent facts, such as that the college, notwithstanding the distracted condition of our country, is still in successful operation, and that its exercises will not be suspended unless the number of Students is absolutely too small to furnish materials for the four regular classes; that it is placed, by the liberality of its friends in providing an endowment, beyond the reach of ordinary contingencies; that it is provided with an able and efficient corps of professors, giving instruction in all the branches connected with the regular College course; and that in addition there has been organized a Military department conducted upon a plan consistent with the peculiar objects contemplated by the founders of the College.

EXPENSES.

Tuition per Session,	$25 00
Room Rent,	1 00
Servant Hire,	2 50
Incidental Expenses,	2 00
	$30 50

Good Board may be had at $9 per month, if paid strictly in advance, or if not $9 50; Washing $1 per month.

SAM'L WAIT, President
Board of Trustees, Wake Forest College.

September 13, 1861.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

MIDDLE SWAMP, GATES CO., N. C.,

May 13, 14, 1862.

JOHN MITCHELL, Clerk pro tem.

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Proceedings.

MIDDLE SWAMP, May 13th, 1862.

Elder John N. Hoggard being absent, the introductory sermon was preached by his alternate, Elder B. B. Williams, from Heb. 5: 9—"And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation, unto all them that obey him."

After a briet intermission, the delegates assembled, and in the absence of the Moderator, on motion by Elder H. Speight, Elder R. B. Jones was called to the chair. Elder John Mitchell was appointed Clerk. Bro. J. D. Barnes, Assistant Clerk.

Brethren W. Myers, T. W. Babb and R. Felton were appointed a committee to receive contributions.

Letters from the churches were called for and read, and names of delegates enrolled. (See statistical table.)

The roll of delegates being completed and called, the Association proceeded to regular organization.

Elder R. B. Jones was elected Moderator for the ensuing year, and Elder John Mitchell, the Clerk being absent, was appointed Clerk for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats. The following were recognized: Elder R. R. Savage from the Dan River Association, and as representing the claims of Foreign Missions.

The Pastor and Deacons of this church were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Reports of standing committees were called for.

The committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute being absent, no report was made. [Afterwards sent in and appended to the Minutes.]

Committee on Reynoldson Institute—no report.

Committee on Temperance—no report.

Committee on Wake Forest College—no report.

The committee on Baptist State Convention reported thro' its chairman, Elder R. B. Jones. Report received, and after some discussion laid on the table for further consideration.

Elder B. B. Williams, chairman of the committee on Periodicals reported. Report received, and pending its discussion, a collection of $38 was taken up for the distribution of the

Biblical Recorder among the soldiers. The report was adopted and ordered to be appended to the minutes. (See Appendix, A.)

The committee on Religious Exercises reported as follows: Elders John Mitchell and R. R. Overby to preach to-morrow in the morning, and Elder R. B. Jones in the evening.

On motion, Elder S. W. Worrell was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of the death of our much loved brother Q. H. Trotman to be appended to these minutes.

On motion, adjourned to 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder R. R. Savage.

Wednesday Morning, May 14th, 1862.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder S. W. Worrell.

The list of delegates was called over and corrected.

Letters from New Hope and Middle Swamp were handed in, read, and delegates' names enrolled.

On motion, agreed to hold the next session of this Association with the church at Mt. Tabor, to convene on Tuesday before the third Lord's day in May, 1863.

Appointed to preach the introductory sermon, Elder R. B. Jones, Elder H. Speight alternate. To preach the Conventional sermon, Elder John Mitchell.

The chair announced the following committees to report on the subjects assigned at the next Association, viz:

On C. F. Collegiate Institute—A. McDowell, J. H. Lassiter and W. W. Mitchell.

On Reynoldson Institute—E. Howell, W. Babb and Wm. Cross.

On Temperance—J. B. Webb, R. R. Felton and R. D. Simpson.

Baptist State Convention—John Mitchell, J. W. Wilson and H. M. Jones.

Periodicals—Wm. Felton, J. T. Waff and T. L. Foxwell.

Sunday Schools—J. D. Barnes, Geo. A. Britt and John N. Hoggard.

Wake Forest College—R. R. Overby, R. Felton and E. Ferebee.

The following delegates were appointed to corresponding Associations:

To the Portsmouth Association—G. W. Kellinger, S. W. Worrell and H. Speight.

To the Tar River—J. Mitchell, B. B. Williams, John N. Hoggard and J. J. Rochelle.

To the Pamlico—Jeremiah Bunch, Wm. Bunch and Ed. Pierce.

To the Union—John B. Webb, R. B. Jones and R. Felton.

On motion, the ordained ministers of this Association were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

On motion, the report on Baptist State Convention was called up, again read, and discussed by Elders R. B. Jones, R. R. Savage, R. R. Overby and John Mitchell. The report was adopted, and ordered to be appended to the minutes. (See Appendix.)

On motion, agreed that the collection to-day be taken up for Army colportage.

Moved and carried, That the Clerk be instructed to have the usual number of copies of minutes printed and distributed among the churches in due time.

Moved and carried, that one brother in each Union Meeting be appointed to receive and distribute the minutes to the churches composing such Union Meeting.

The appointment was made as follows:

For the Bertie Union—John Mitchell.

For the Yoppim—R. D. Simpson.

For the Camden and Currituck—E. Ferebee.

WHEREAS, One of our churches has recommended to this Association a change of Clerk, and also that hereafter the Clerk be elected annually; therefore,

Resolved, That in view of the small delegation present, we deem it inexpedient at this time, to make any radical change.

On motion, the Association took a recess of forty minutes.

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1 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Convention sermon was preached by Elder R. B. Jones, from Luke 18: 28–30.

A collection of $64 15 was taken up for colportage among the soldiers.

Financial committee reported as follows:

Amount received for minute fund, - - -	$41 00
Contribution after sermon, - - - - -	64 15
From Buckhorn church for Army Colportage,	24 00
Total,	$129 15

Resolved, That our thanks are due, and are hereby tendered to the brethren of this church and friends in this vicinity, for the very kind reception and liberal entertainment given to the delegates and visitors to the Association.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

Prayer by the Moderator.

R. B. JONES, Moderator.

JOHN MITCHELL, Cl'k pro tem.

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor.
2 J. Bunch, Jr., "
3 A. M. Craig, "
4 James Delk, Pitch Landing.
5 J. D. Elwell, Blossom Hill, Va.
6 D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge.
7 E. Forbes, Camden C. H.
8 E. Hancock, Roxobel.
9 David Harrell, Windsor.
10 T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
11 J. N. Hoggard, Murfreesboro'.
12 E. Howell, Reynoldson.
13 W. Hooper, Murfreesboro'.
14 R. B. Jones, Hertford.
15 T. J. Knapp, Edenton.
16 West Leary, Edenton.
17 John Mitchell, Pitch Landing.
18 M. L. Mizell, Windsor.
19 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro'.
20 R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City.
21 Edward Pierce, Merry Hill.
22 Thos. Pittman, Murfreesboro'.
23 J. J. Rochelle, Jackson.
24 D. Sanderlin, Camden C. H.
25 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
26 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville.
27 A. Twine, Powell's Point.
28 Henry White, Mill Landing.
29 J. B. Webb, Edenton.
30 B. B. Williams, Coleraine.
31 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville.
32 H. J. White, St. Johns.
33 B. F. King, Windsor.
34 C. P. Bogert, Murfreesboro'.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton
2 Joseph Berry, Powell's Point
3 Wells Briggs, Elizabeth City
4 W H Bunch, Mintonsville
5 W D Chadwick, Powell's Point
6 Willie Dunning, Roxobel
7 W L Fitcher, Carrsville, Va
8 T L Foxwell, Edenton
9 J W Hoffler, Sunsbury
10 F V Hoskins Elizabeth City
11 A Hollowell, Elizabeth City
12 T J Leary, Edenton.
13 J P Lee, Murfreesboro'
14 Ira Oldham, Pitch Landing
15 Abram Pruden, Gatesville
16 D J Roberts, Newby's Bridge
17 Exum Stevenson, Jackson
18 Samuel Whitson, Camden
19 W A Vann, Winton
20 J M C Luke, Harrellsville.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismiss'd by letter	Excommunicated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund
Ahoskie,	A. J. Askew†, W. W. Mitchell†, Mills Sumbert,	2	2		2	5	3	345	71	416	
Ballard's Bridge*,	Not represented,							469	182	651	
Berea*,	Not represented,							136	1	157	
Bethel,	W. Myers, Thos. Sutton, Samuel Sutton†,		1		2	1	5	254	55	309	$3 00
Bethlehem,	H. M. Jones†, W. W. Sessoms, Geo. T. Hollomon		5			4	2	183	58	241	
Buckhorn,	J. W. Barnes†, J. D. Barnes, W. A. Vann,	3					3	86	50	136	2 00
Capeheart's	Edward Pierce†, John N. Hoggard†, Henry White†,		1			3	3	288	185	473	2 50
Cashie,	David Harrell†, W. Hyman, J. B. Spivey,		1				4	185	120	305	3 00
Connaritsa,	A. J. Dunning†, J. L. Burden, A. F. Early†,		3	1	5	2		250	60	310	
Coleraine,	K. T. Pruden, D. A. Watford†, F. K. Evans,†		3		3	5	2	326	212	538	3 00
Cool Spring,	Abram Pruden,† J. M. Parker, J. A. Carter,					1	5			174	
Corinth*	Not represented,							135	35	170	
Ebenezer*,	Not represented,							85	56	141	
Edenton*,	Not represented,							69	130	199	
Elizabeth City*,	R. R. Overby, G. W. Kellenger, (no letter,)							385	74	459	2 00
Elim*,	Not represented,							47	25	72	
Gatesville,	S. W. Worrell, Hance Hofler, Thos. E. Cross,							60	48	108	1 50
Great Fork,	O. P. Savage, James Rogers, W. W. Knight,	1			1		1	170	50	220	2 00
Galatia*,	Not represented,							45	3	48	
Hamilton*,	Not represented,							23		23	
Hebron*,	Not represented,							83	12	95	
Hertford,	R. B. Jones, R. Felton, U. W. Speight,	10	9			3	2	43	51	94	2 00
Holly Grove,	John Mitchell, W. J. Freeman,† W. B. Watford†,		2			1		52	33	85	1 60
Lebanon*,	Not represented,									28	
Macedonia*,	Not represented,							60	5	65	

Mar's Hill*,	B. B. Williams, (no letter,)							63	9	72			
Meherrin*,	Not represented,							218	104	317			
Middle Swamp,	Henry Speight, J. Rountree, W. Riddick,	3					1	87	81	168	1	50	
Mt. Carmel*,	Not represented,							200	86	286			
Mt. Tabor,	Wm. Dunning,† R. B. Cobb,† W. Darden,†				2		3	179	54	233	3	00	
Murfreesboro,	A. McDowell,† B. A. Spires,† J. R. Darden,†	15	4		2		1	73	12	85	3	00	
New Hope,	T. W. Babb, Wm. E. Matthews,						4		56	56	1	50	
Piney Grove*,	Not represented,							95	81	176			
Pleasant Grove*,	G. C. Moore,							78	42	120			
Pleasant Plains,	Thomas Hoggard, Jos. A. Mizzel†,		1	2		4			206	206	1	50	
Potecasi,	M. Cooke,† W. T. Baum,† D. M. Beale,†					3	1	186	56	242	2	00	
Powell's Point,*	Not represented,				3	1				59			
Providence*,	Not represented,							65	75	140			
Romoth Gilead*,	Not represented,							167	43	210			
Republican*,	Not represented,							73	34	107			
Roanoke Island*,	Not represented,							170	55	225			
Robert's Chapel*,	Not represented,							174	11	185	2	00	
Rocky Hock,	J. B. Webb†, Thos. Cochran†, R. R. Felton,†	1	3				5	358	42	400	2	50	
Ross' M. H.,	W. J. Mitchell,† C. A. Halsey†, W. H. Hughes†,	1	2	1	3	6	11	58	22	80	1	50	
Salem,	Aaron Fletcher†, S. B. Pendleton†, Ambrose Hollowell, A. L. Sawyer,	2			5	5	4	266	71	337	3	00	
Sandy Cross,	Jesse Eason, Willis Bunch, W. B. S. Riddick†,	1	3				6	147	93	240			
Sandy Run*,	Not represented.							367	112	479	3	00	
Sawyer's Creek,	Evan Forbes†, J. S. Sanderlin,† T. B. Boushall,		5	1	8	7	9	119	3	122			
Shady Grove*,	Not represented,							334	145	479			
Shiloh*,	Not represented,							150	11	161	2	00	
Whiteville Grove,	Joshua White, D. J. Roberts†, W. C. Simpson,	2			3	1	6	42	53	95			
White Oak*,	Not represented,							128	38	166			
Yoppim*,	Not represented,												
53 Churches.		41	45	5	99	48	83	7573	3110	11034	$141	00	

*Statistics of last year retained. †Absent.

Appendix.

N. CAROLINA BABTIST STATE CONVENTION.

This Institution is designed to give strength and efficiency to our efforts in promoting the great objects of christian benevolence, connected with the advancement of our Redeemer's kingdom in this world. It includes State Missions, Foreign Missions, Ministerial Education and Colportage. It is also auxiliary to the Southern Domestic Board, in promoting missions in general.

In prosecuting its work of State Missions, it does not propose to supersede the work of Associations and Union Meetings, but to co-operate with them, if necessary, and in addition to this, supply destitute villages and sections with Baptist preaching.

In aiding Foreign Missions, it operates through the Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, who applies the funds, as directed by the donors.

It proposes to assist young men, called of God to preach the gospel, and approved by their respective churches in procuring an education. Thus educating preachers and not men to preach.

While much might and ought to be said in favor of each of these objects, yet the space allowed for a Report forbids it; we can only, in a very concise manner, bring them before our brethren. The times and circumstances demand that we give them a hearty support. To do this is not only our duty, but it is a great privilege, an exalted honor.

Colportage has long since been deemed an efficient means of disseminating religious truth. Events have transpired, during the past Associational year, which have invested this department of our Convention, with more than usual importance. The immense army now in the field, embraces the flower of the Southern Confederacy. The morals of these men must be cared for, or society will suffer an irreparable loss, however brilliant may be their victories. Army coportage is one of the most efficient means of counteracting th

demoralizing inferences of the camp. The success which has attended our efforts in this department, is both gratifying and encouraging, and should stimulate us to a greater degree of liberality than has hitherto been manifested. Such is the magnitude of this work, that it demands more than a passing notice from us. We, therefore, hope that your body, at its present session, will inaugurate some means of affording immediate relief to this department.

However perfect may be the plan of the Convention for prosecuting its work, its efficiency, under God, depends upon the churches. It is their creature. From their contributions, its treasury must be supplied. In view of the pressing necessity of the Board of the Convention,

Resolved, That we request each church in this Association to send contributions to the next meeting of the Convention at Wake Forest College, and that we request the Ministers of this body to lay the claims of the Convention before their respective churches at some time prior to the meeting of that body.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. JONES, Chm'n.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Periodicals beg leave to submit the following as their report.

A good and well edited religious newspaper is an agency second only to the pulpit, in evangelizing and christianizing the human family.

The religious editor preaches weekly to thousands of readers through his columns; and if the paper is well filled with biblical truth and sound doctrine, he will make lasting religious impressions upon their minds. The christian will be constantly reminded of his duty to his God and to his fellow men.

We ought, therefore, to have our denominational papers, and we ought to read them and sustain them.

We are gratified to be able to report that notwithstanding many religious papers in the south, owing to our national troubles, have had to suspend, yet our denominational organ, the Biblical Recorder, still survives, and we would earnestly recommend it to our brethren, as worthy of their liberal patronage and support.

B. B. WILLIAMS, Chm'n.

CHOWAN FEMALE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

This Institution, formerly so successful and prosperous, is now suffering, like most others in our country, from the blighting influences of the war.

The Trustees, at the end of the last scholastic year, anticipating a greatly diminished patronage, and having no means to sustain a Faculty except the current income of the school, thought it unwise to assume the payment of salaries for the present year, and they therefore committed the school entirely to the Faculty with the privilege of retaining only so many of their number as the amount of patronage received should render necessary. During the first session the whole Faculty were retained except the President, who, at his own request, was absent until near the end of the session. The number of pupils present was forty-four—less than half our usual number,—but there was a fair prospect for a large increase at the beginning of the present session. This prospect was suddenly blighted by the fall of Roanoke Island which gave the enemy access to all our interior waters and caused the prompt withdrawal of all the pupils. After a few weeks' suspension the school was resumed with a small number which has increased to twenty. Among these are representatives of all the collegiate classes which will constitute a nucleus around which classes may be readily formed at the beginning of the next session, should Providence permit the school to be resumed at that time.

Respectfully submitted.

A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

OBITUARY.

The Rev. Quintin Hollowell Trotman, the subject of this short sketch, was born in the county of Perquimans, North Carolina, January 27th, 1805, of Joseph Trotman and Sabrey his wife, whose maiden name was Hollowell. When he was an infant his parents removed to Sandy Cross, Gates county, where his father died, leaving this his only child, very young, and a bereaved widow. Being very poor, and without the advantages even of common schools, his opportunities for an education were meagre indeed, having been but six months of his life within the walls of a school room. His mother had likewise received but slight instruction, and was therefore poorly qualified to direct and guide the son. Her strong mind and resolute energy to a great extent supplied this deficiency, and she reared her son to become a man. The intervals of arduous daily labor were cultivated by the mother in implanting in her son principles of right and wrong, which have given tone and distinction to his character through life.

The toils and struggles of his youth for support afforded but little time for mental cultivation. Saving his mother's care, he was eminently a self-made man. At the early age of nineteen years he was married to Miss Eliza Brinkley, and until his connection with the church, was entirely engaged in the business of farming, which for the support of an increasing family, claimed his whole attention. Meanwhile the influence of evil associates over one of his confiding nature, had its natural effect in leading him astray, and the step from virtue to vice being easy and short, he soon became notorious for his wickedness. His career however was short; he was to become the chosen instrument of God. The prayers of his anxious wife and mother were answered in the conversion of the husband and son. Making a profession of his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, he was by baptism administered by the Rev. Robert T. Daniel, on the 9th of April, 1828, received into the church. The energy which had given him notoriety as a man of the world now distinguished him as the man of God. The church quickly appreciating his talents, licensed him to preach in June, 1830, which was soon followed by an order for his ordination. On the 31st day of July, 1831, he was ordained by the Revs. Jeremiah Etheridge and John Harrell.

He at once attained a prominence for eloquence, originality of thought, pathos, force of argument, power of delivery and

impressiveness of manner, which always commanded an audience and ensured attention. Whenever and wherever it was known that he would preach, a large congregation ever attended. Whether in his appeals to a throne of grace, in singing praises to God, or from the pulpit expounding the plan of redemption, the melodious strains of his sonorous voice filled every ear, subdued every improper thought, and drew along the listener a willing captive, a captive whose chains were golden, and his captivity rapturous delight. However prejudiced was the hearer, however he winced under the withering excoriation of his powerful oratory, however much the sensitive bigot denounced him as he exposed the fallacy of creeds, and pointed to the true light that lighteth the world, and in the bitterness of his spleen, resolved never again to hear him, prejudice and bigotry failed to resist the attraction, and again and again becoming hearers, they would finally yield, and be obedient to the Master's will.

There was in him nothing assumed for the occasion. There was no starchy buckram to repulse, no gaudy tinsel for display. All was easy, all plain and unaffected. He never seemed to be conscious of his own ability. He was nature's true orator. The outgushing emotions of a noble heart, moved by the finger of God, and touched by the quickening influences of his holy spirit operating through the most powerful intellect of the State, could not fail to captivate the hearts of his hearers, and to convict the sinner of his guilt and a judgment to come. He was blessed with a most retentive memory, that never failed him while his eye-sight was unimpaired. In the course of an argument he would with ease and without effort call to his aid quotations so full and so apposite, as had cost other ministers weeks of hard labor to cull and to arrange.

He borrowed nothing of others. Feeling the responsibility of his position, he leaned not upon learned theologians, but placing his trust in God from his word derived the waters of life. His opinions, formed by careful research and once fixed, he boldly pronounced. He shunned not to declare the whole counsel of God. He winked at no whitewashing of error, but fearlessly tearing away the covering exposed its deformity. He never made any compromise of the truth. It was his habit to call things by their proper names, and thus often gave offence when his object only was to preach Christ and him crucifind. He applied all the energies of his nature to the work of his Master with labor unremitted, zeal never

failing, and faith never faltering. To labor for Christ was his highest pleasure, to build up his Church the work to which he had devoted himself. He worked beyond the measure of his strength. His vigorous constitution finally broke down. He continued his labors, however, without remission, only as sickness prevented, though with great suffering. For the last ten years of his life he rarely passed an hour but in pain. In the spring of 1859 he lost his sight. The source whence he derived much pleasure being thus cut off, though in the main for a sick man cheerful, he lost much of his usual vivacity. His time was employed in readings by his children. He continued, nevertheless, to preach, and to his death was pastor of the church at Sandy Cross, into which he had been received by baptism, and to which he had broken the bread of life, save an interval of three years, from his ordination to his death. Faithful flock, faithful shepherd! He ever enjoyed the confidence of his ministering brethren; with them he was a tower of strength. The love borne him by his church was warmly reciprocated. His love for all his brethren was as a deep stream that flows silently on though it bears Argosies on its bosom. It was indeed a never-failing fountain; it expanded and strengthened as long as life lasted. Aye, it was love that killed him at last. Often during his illness he would say, my child, my boy, "when it is asked you what killed me, say it was love; love for his children that killed your father." It was, doubtless, the great anxiety he felt for his children in the service of the country, his strongest sympathies enlisted in the struggle, the great depression of spirits ensuing from the loss of his wife, who had died but a few weeks before his last confinement, that completely prostrated him. He suffered the most excruciating pain, though with the greatest patience and resignation, repeatedly pronouncing his trust in Christ; continuously uttering favorite passages of scripture, and singing praises to God. His ardent affections overflowed in expressions of love to visiting friends, to his children and servants. Kissing all, kissing the hands of his servants, and looking at each intensely as though loth to be separated from them, he would point them to a blissful reunion in heaven, and pray God to take him to himself. He was firmly impressed that his time was growing short; that he was slowly passing away. He blessed and praised God that he was pleased to afflict him, saying that his afflictions would work out for him a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory! Thus, in singing, praying and earnest invocations for mercy, blessing his chil-

dren, his friends and brethren and servants, he spent the last moments of his life. For the last two or three days perceptibly suffering but little, he quietly sank away in the bosom of his God. He died as only the Christian can die. On Friday the 9th day of May, 1862, as the rays of the morning sun gilded the tree tops, his spirit winged its way to an eternity of rest.

No one can appreciate the merits of the man morally, intellectually, or socially, unless he knew the circumstances of his whole life. The difficulties that environed him would have crushed most men. To have reared so large a family of children, nine in number, as he has done, with so little of this world's goods upon which to draw for support, was enough; but with the limited opportunity for mental cultivation he enjoyed, that he accomplished so much is the wonder of those who knew him best. And no one knew all, for in his last illness he often said, "eternity alone will disclose to the astonishment of my most intimate friends the difficulties with which I have had to contend."

The loss of such a man to any community cannot be estimated. As a complicated machinery, its balance wheel broken, society for the while ceases its customary throbbings. There is a pause in all around that denotes a grievous calamity, and each seeks sympathy in the misfortune that has befallen all. Universally respected and beloved, endeared to a very large circle of acquaintances by the ties of long-continued and unbroken friendship stronger than the lion's grip, his death severs a link in the chain of faithful friends that cannot be repaired. His loss to the church is irreparable, he was her most talented and able minister. A strong man in Israel hath fallen. A shining jewel of the fraternity has dropped into the Master's hands. But if friends and brethren mourn him, what shall quiet the aching hearts of his aged mother and beloved children, whose love and admiration for the son and father knew no limit? They loved him as but few know how to love. His love for them constrained the love of himself. "O, Absalom, my son, my son Absalom!" were among his last words. It was this love that killed him. Mourning they will mourn with a grief that findeth no consolation but in the promises of God, looking forward to the realization of the hope that they shall all meet again in a heaven of eternal rest.

S. W. WORRELL, Chm'n.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

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Proceedings.

Mt. Tabor, May 12th, 1863.

The Chowan Baptist Association met in its 57th annual session with the church at Mt. Tabor. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder R. B. Jones, from 1st John 1: 7.—"And the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin."

After a recess of forty minutes, the Association was called to order by Elder R. B. Jones. Prayer by Elder B. B. Williams.

On motion a committee of Finance; consisting of brethren G. A. Brift, W. W. Mitchell and A. Thomas, was appointed to receive the contributions from the churches.

On motion the letters from the churches were called for and read, and the names of the delegates enrolled. (See statistical table.)

The Association then proceeded to the election of officers. Dr. G. C. Moore was unanimously elected Moderator, and Elder John Mitchell Clerk; brethren J. D. Barnes, and H. C. Edwards were appointed assistant clerks.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats.

The Pastor and Deacons of this church were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

On motion, it was agreed that 9 o'clock, A. M., be the hour for meeting, and that the regular business of the Association be suspended at 11 o'clock for preaching.

The following queries were offered and read:

Querry 1. Should a church hold in fellowship a member who has deserted the Southern Army (after having been sworn in) and joined the enemy?

2. Should a church hold in fellowship, a member who, to prevent going into service of his country, have sought protection from the enemy?

3. Should a church fail to discipline her members, because of close proximity to the enemy?

4. Should a church hold in fellowship colored members who have run off from their owners for Yankee freedom, or protection?

On motion, the above queries were received and laid on the table for future consideration.

On motion, adjourned till 9 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow.

Prayer by Elder A. McDowell.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, May 13th, 1863.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder John N. Hoggard.

On motion, a committee was appointed on the state of the churches, consisting of Elders R. R. Overby, H. Speight and John N. Hoggard.

The following preamble and resolution were offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, The church at Cool Spring has sent brother A. Pruden to this body for ordination; and whereas, it has been the custom of this Association to leave this matter with the churches; therefore

Resolved, That this Association will adhere to its usual practice and refer this case back to the church at Cool Spring.

The reports of standing committees were called for.

The committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute offered the following

REPORT:

This institution, as similar ones, near the lines of active warfare, has suffered seriously from the apprension that the fortunes of war might at any time throw it within the lines of the enemy. But through the mercy of God, no enemy has yet been permitted to molest it, and it has been carried forward in all its departments, with little less than its former efficiency. It now numbers fifty eight pupils, including two resident graduates and five teachers. Uninterrupted, good health has prevailed during the year, among both pupils and teachers, for which, and for the success of the Institute, under all the disadvantages to which it has been subjected, we ought to thank God and take courage.

A. McDOWELL, Ch'm'n.

On motion the report was received and ordered to be printed.

The committee on Reynoldson Institute offered, through bro. W. L. Fitcher, the following report, which was received and ordered to be printed:

This Institution, situated in a section of country which has been under the control of the United States' forces during the past twelve months, has not been in operation for nearly two years.

The Principals, Messrs. Boushall and Taylor, with most of the students, have long since been absent in their country's service. There is, therefore, no probability that the school will again resume its exercises till the close of the present war.

E. HOWELL, Ch'm'n.

The report on Temperance was called for. The committee offered the following

REPORT:

Your committee have but little to say on the subject of temperance. While from the letters read before this body, we are sadly convinced of the little progress in religion in our churches, we have also to lament, that her handmaid, temperance, as we have learned from observation and report, has but little cause for rejoicing in the efforts of her friends to stay the sad and distressing evils of the fell destroyer, Intemperance.

While our national enemies have infested and ravaged our borders, this enemy to humanity and religion has not been idle.

Grief and desolation have been brought to many homes, and the hearts of patriots and christians have sickened at the dread evils, thus added to the train of horrors inflicted on us by war.

Brethren, while human organizations in the cause of temperance are silent, let our united prayers go up to heaven, that God may stay the tide of evils inflicted upon our people, by this great enemy to man.

J. B. WEBB, Ch'm'n.

On this report interesting remarks were submitted by Elders J. B. Webb and A. McDowell.

The report was received and ordered to be printed.

The committee on the Babtist State Convention, being called upon made the following

REPORT:

The primary objects of this Convention are the education of young men called of God to the work of the Gospel ministry; the circulation of Bibles and religious books; the employment of Missionaries within the limits of this State; and a co-operation with the Southern Baptist Convention in the promotion of Missions in general.

Since our last annual meeting, but little has been done for these objects, owing to the lack of funds. It is to be hoped that our brethren will not withhold their contributions, because of the terrible war that is upon them, but that they will give liberally and willingly of their substance to the Lord. For a detailed account of what has been done, you are referred to the report of the Board as published in the minutes of the last Convention.

During the past two years the attention of the brethren has been directed principally, to the subject of Army Colportage. Their success in this peculiarly interesting field has been encouraging.

In order to give more efficiency to this department of labor, the last Convention appointed a Board, and also a General Superintendent of Army Colportage for this State. The reports of the excellent and laborious Superintendent, Elder N. B. Cobb, show a gratifying and encouraging success. Let us hope and pray that still greater good may be accomplished. This board has resolved to look directly to the churches and brethren for the means necessary to carry on their work. Many have responded nobly to the call made upon them.—Let all do their duty.

In view of the great importance of the work in which these boards are engaged and of the urgent necessity for funds; therefore

Resolved, That we earnestly request the ministers having the pastoral care of the churches of this Association, to lay the claims of these Boards before their respective churches, and send up their contributions to the next Convention, or to the Boards, prior to the Convention.

On this report remarks were submitted by Elders John Mitchell, R. R. Overby and A. McDowell, after which the report was adopted and ordered to be printed.

The hour having arrived for preaching, the business of the Association was suspended to hear a sermon from Elder R.

R. Overby. Text, Romans 7: 4. "That ye should be named to another."

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The committee on Periodicals being called upon to report, submitted the following:

To evangelize the world, God has employed means which derive their support from the Gospel of our blessed Saviour, the great ocean of love, its bounds none can measure, sending its various tributaries in all directions, watering the dry ground of our affections, causing rich productions of faith, obedience and good will to each other. One of the many tributaries is the christian newspapers floating down the channel of God's permission, visiting weekly thousands, bearing on its bosom tidings of kindness and affection, admonishing us to live daily for God and each other. It reminds us of our many sins, and aids us to hew off the rough corners of our natural dispositions. It also helps to smooth and pol sh the stones for their proper place in the spiritual temple of christian duty, liberality, &c. And if ever there was a time when, more than another, christians should let their true character and liberality be seen, that time is *now*. The flower of our country is on the tented field. How can we reach them more effectually than with the printed sheet? God means something! Arise disciple! Awake to your duty! This flower may wither under the blighting influence of demoralization.

This paper will refresh and inspire good hopes in the minds of the loved ones on the field. It is anxiously looked for, and read by them. This speaks volumes to us. We refer to the columns of the *Biblical Recorder*, warning faithfully all who read it. And if we would send more of its numbers to the soldiers, they too would be persuaded to join the "people of God." Then let us all subscribe for and read the *Recorder*, and our money will not be so hard to reach.

We therefore recommend the *Recorder* to all, but particularly to the disciples of Christ, in the State of North Carolina, as worthy of their special care and sustenance. And may we all keep the Editor upon the bosom of our prayers, that he may prove to be what he ought, ever sending forth weekly, from the mountains to the sea shore—Christ and him crucified.

Many of our Periodicals have had to suspend, for the want

of necessary means, but we feel thankful to God that the *Recorder* yet lives. The subscription price is but a small pittance compared to the paper.

WM. FELTON, Ch'm'n.

Pending a motion for the adoption of this report, remarks were submitted by Elder B. B. Williams, and a collection was taken up to send the *Recorder* to the soldiers amounting to $332 30, including $19 00 from the church at Mars' Hill. By request of the donor, ten dollars of the above amount is to be given to Army Colportage. The report was then adopted and ordered to be printed.

The Secretary (pro. tem.) made his report for the past year which was received. (See Appendix.)

On motion, the queries, laid on the table on yesterday, were called up for discussion.

The first query, viz: "Should a church hold in fellowship a member who has deserted the Southern Army (after having sworn in) and joined the enemy," was read, and decided in the negative without debate.

The second, viz: "Should a church hold in fellowship a member who to prevent going into the service of his country has sought protection from the enemy?" was read, and on motion, answered in the negative, after remarks by A. McDowell, R. B. Jones, and J. L. Mitchell for the motion, and T. W. Babb and J. J. Rochelle against it.

On motion, adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Prayer by Elder R. R. Overby.

THURSDAY MORNING, May 14th, 9 o'clock.

The Association met. Prayer by Elder H. Speight.

The third query, viz: "Should a church fail to discipline her members, because of close proximity to the enemy?" was called up and read, and after some remarks by R. R. Overby, J. P. Webb, J. Mitchell, B. B. Williams and J. N. Hoggard, the following answer was given:

"She should not, but we recommend the churches to use christian prudence in the administration of that discipline."

The fourth, viz: "Should a church hold in fellowship colored members, who have run off from their owners for Yankee freedom or protection?" was read, and on motion, answered in the negative.

The following query was also introduced, viz: Should a

church hold in fellowship a member who has encouraged, sympathized with, or given aid and comfort to the enemy, whether that enemy be the regular forces of the United States or that infamous band of unprincipled persons commonly known as buffaloes? and on motion, answered in the negative.

On motion, Elder A. McDowell was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of Elder James Deal, deceased, for publication in our minutes.

The Moderator announced the following committees to report on the subject assigned at the next Association, viz:

C. F. C. Institute—Dr. A. J. Askew, B. A. Spiers and D. A. Britt.

Reynoldson Institute—S. W. Worrell, A. Pruden, Ed. Howell.

Temperance—J. N. Hoggard, M. Cook, and Wm. Boone.

B. S. Convention—A. McDowell, T. D. Vann and J. D. Barnes.

Periodicals—Wm. Manning, R. D. Simpson, and J. B. Webb.

Sunday Schools—R. B. Jones, Sam'l Sutton, and Wm. Felton.

W. F. College—J. Mitchell, J. L. Britton and A. J. Perry.

The following delegates were appointed to corresponding Associations, viz:

To the Portsmouth Association—R. B. Jones, H. Speight and W. L. Fitcher.

To the Tar River—J. N. Hoggard, B. B. Williams and E. Hancock.

To the Pamlico—J. Mitchell, J. B. Webb and S. W. Worrell.

To the Union—J. Bunch, J. J. Rochelle and A. McDowell.

The hour for preaching having arrived, the Conventional sermon was delivered by Elder John Mitchell, from John 6: 27. "Labor not for the meat which perisheth, but labor for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the son of man shall give unto you; for him hath God the Father sealed." At the close of the sermon a collection was taken up amounting to $195 20.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1 1-2 O'CLOCK.

The Association met and resumed business.

The committee on Sabbath Schools offered the following

REPORT:

A good and well organized Sunday School is a most potent agency under the immediate supervision of a church for disseminating religious truth, and leaving its evangelical impress, on the religious character of succeeding generations. The youth of our country, if not trained in the ways of righteousness, in life's proper season will incline to evil. And it is easier to imbue the youthful mind, with the riches of gospel truth, than to uproot the culminating weeds of vice and perniciousness, that accumulate in the neglected gardens of virtue.

We are gratified, however, though in the midst of our present national confusion, to gather from the letters the following statistics, viz:

Sawyer's Creek,	1	School,	9	Teachers,	65	Scholars,				
Yoppim,	1	"	6	"	35	"	200	vol's in	Library,	
Murfreesboro',	1	"	6	"	20	"	220	"	"	
Galatia,	1	"	5	"	30	"				
Sandy Run,	1	"	5	"	30	"	80	"	"	

Hertford and Bethel have each a Sunday School but give no statistics.

J. D. BARNES, Ch'm'n.

The above report, on motion, was received, and ordered to be printed.

The committee on Wake Forest College made no report.

The committee on the state of the churches made the following

REPORT:

If we are to judge of the state of religion in our churches from the letters sent up to this Association, we are in a truly lamentable condition. Whose heart was not pained as letter after letter told the same sad story, "We are in a cold and lukewarm state?" With 53 churches, and a membership of 11,000, the churches represented here report, 102 received by baptism, while our loss by death, and otherwise, far exceeds that number. With this sad picture before us, should we not humble ourselves before God, and inquire, "Is there not a cause?" It can not be that God is less inclined to pour

out His spirit, and revive his people, than in former years. He is the same, yesterday, to day, and forever. The cause is with us. Our sins have separated between us and God. I fear we have forgotten that our sins bring all our troubles, and instead of humbling our hearts before God, and crying unto him day and night, for deliverance, we have suffered ourselves to drift into the current of worldliness. Judging from the signs of the time, it is to be feared that Zion will be the greatest sufferer in this struggle. We seem to have forgotten that we have other enemies, and more to be dreaded than these we meet on the bloody field. And if they prevail, all is lost. This war will end, and the thousands now in the field will be thrown upon the bosom of society, with all their habits of sin (and there are not a few,) for war not only destroys life, but that which is better than life, morals.

Brethren, is there piety enough in our churches to counteract this tide of evil that will sooner or later be upon us? Let us bestir ourselves, wake up out of sleep, and put on the whole armor of God, and go forth in his name, until the whole earth shall be filled with his glory.

R. R. OVERBY, Ch'm'n.

Elder B. B. Williams submitted interesting remarks on the above report, after which the report was adopted, and ordered to be printed.

On motion, it was agreed to hold the next annual ression of this Association with the church at Buckhorn, fo convene on Tuesday before the 3rd Lord's day in May, 1864.

Appointed to preach the introductory sermon, Elder R. R. Overby; Elder B. B. Williams, alternate.

To preach the Conventional sermon, Elder John N. Hoggard.

On motion, the ordained ministers in this Association were appointed delegates to the next Baptist State Convention.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to have two thousand copies of the minutes printed for distribution among the churches. The Clerk was authorized to send the quota of minutes for the Yoppim Union Meeting to brother R. D. Simpson, and for the Camden and Currituck Union Meeting to brother E. Ferebee, for distribution among their churches.

On motion, A. McDowell, B. A. Spiers and L. T. Spiers were appointed a committee to settle with the former Clerk.

On motion, Saturday before the first Sunday in June was set apart as a day of fasting, humiliation and prayer.

Resolved, That our thanks are due, and are hereby tendered to the brethren of this church, and friends in this vicinity, for the very kind reception and liberal entertainment given to the delegates and visitors to this Association.

The committee of Finance offered their report which was received and ordered to be printed. (See Appendix.)

On motion, adjourned to meet with the church at Buckhorn on Tuesday before the 3rd Sunday in May, 1864.

G. C. MOORE, Mod'r.

JOHN MITCHELL, Clerk

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor.
2 J. Bunch, Jr.,
3 A M. Craig.
4 J. D. Elwell, Blossom Hill, Va.
5 D. V. Ethridge, Ballard's Bridge.
6 E. Forbes, Camden C. H.
7 E Hancock, Roxobel.
8 David Harrell, Windsor.
9 T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
10 J. N. Hoggard, Murfreesboro'.
11 E. Howell, Reynoldson.
12 W. Hooper, Murfreesboro'.
13 R. B. Jones, Hertford.
14 T. J. Knapp, Edenton
15 West Leary, Edenton.
16 John Mitchell, Pitch Landing.
17 M L. Mizell, Windsor.
18 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro.
19 R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City.
20 Edward Pierce, Merry Hill.
21 Thos. Pittman, Murfreesboro'.
22 J. J. Rochelle, Jackson.
23 Henry Speight, Gatesville
24 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville.
25 A. Twine, Powell's Point.
26 Henry White, Mill Landing.
27 J. B. Webb, Edenton.
28 B. B. Williams, Coleraine
29 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville.
30 H. J. White, St. Johns
31 B. F. King, Windsor.
32 C. P. Rogert, Goldsboro
33 J. P. Lee, Murfreesboro'.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
2 Joseph Berry, Powell's Point.
3 Wells Briggs, Elizabeth City,
4 W. H. Bunch, Mintonsville.
5 W. D. Chadwick, Powell's Point,
6 Willie Dunning, Roxobel.
7 W. L. Fitcher, Carrsville, Va.
8 T. L. Foxwell, Edenton.
9 J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury,
10 F. V. Hoskins, Elizabeth City.
11 A. Hollowell, Elizabeth City,
12 T. J. Leary, Edenton.
13 Ira Oldham, Pitch Landing
14 Nixon Pruden, Gatesville
15 D. J. Roberts, Newby's Bridge.
16 Solum Stevenson, Jackson.
17 W. A. Vann, Winton,
18 J. M. C. Luke, Harrellsville

Appendix.

CLERK'S REPORT.

CROWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION to JNO. MITCHELL, Clerk pro tem., DR.

1862. Nov. 11.	To amount paid Editor of Biblical Recorder for printing minutes of 1862,		$70 00
	CR.		
1863. May 14.	By amount received from the churches sent to the Asso. at Middle Swamp,	$41 00	
	By amount received since the Asso., viz:		
	From Poteeasi,	2 00	
	From Murfreesborough,	3 00	
	From Mt. Tabor,	3 00	
	From Ahoskie,	3 00	52 00
	Balance due the Clerk,		$18 00

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Received from letters sent up for 1863, for Minute fund,		$122 50
" from absent churches 1862,		26 00
" from additional contributions this session (churches doubling)		24 00
		$172 50
CR.		
By cash paid Clerk on deficiency of last year,	$18 00	
" " compensation for transcribing minutes, &c. of 1862,	25 00	43 00
		129 50
add $2 00, not accounted for in report,		2 00
Balance now in treasury,		$131 50

TO SEND RECORDER TO SOLDIERS.

Received from collection in the Association on Wednesday, including $19 60 from Mars Hill,	$332 30
Received from the church at Ahoskie,	30 95
	$363 25

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

Received from the church at Yoppim,	$20 00
Received from church at Sawyer's Creek,	30 00
	$50 00

FOR BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Received amount of collection on Thursday,	$195 20

G. A. BRITT,
W. W. MITCHELL, } Committee.
A. THOMAS.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excommunicated.	Dead.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie,	W W Mitchell, J S Godwin and Dr A J Askew,		3		1	2	2	339	70	409	$ 6 00
Ballard's Bridge,	R D Simpson, J W Nowell and H Simpson‡, (2 years),	18	6		17	23	18	447	174	621	10 00
Berea*,	Not represented.							136	1	137	
Bethel,	Wm Felton, W Myers‡ and Samuel Sutton‡,		1			6	6	247	51	298	6 00
Bethlehem,	A Thomas, G T Hollomon and H M Jones,‡				1	4	2	179	53	232	5 00
Buckhorn,	Jos Warren, G A Britt and Wm Vann,		1				4	82	49	131	4 00
Capeheart's,	Elders J N Hoggard, Henry White‡ and G W Cobb,	4	2				9	279	188	467	2 50
Cashie,	Elder D Harrell‡, W Hyman and J B Spivey‡,	8			1			185	125	310	5 00
Conmaritsa,	J L Mitchell, J L Burden and A J Dunning‡,	1	3	3	4	3	4	245	61	306	6 00
Coleraine,	J L Britton, J W Beasley and J A Northcutt,	7	3		1	4	4	335	203	538	6 00
Cool Spring,	A Pruden, Thomas Umphlet and Wm Cross,						3	130	8	138	5 00
Corinth,	E E Maget, Henry Gatling and M Brewer,	6	2			3	2	135	32	167	6 00
Ebenezer,*	Not represented.							85	56	141	
Edenton,*	Not represented.							69	130	199	
Elizabeth City*,	Elder R R Overby, J M Morgan and M Sanderlin, Sr, (no letter)							385	74	459	6 00
Elim,	J D Barham and J K Kee,						4	46	24	70	1 00
Gatesville*,	Not represented.							60	48	108	
Great Fork,	J Rogers,‡ O P Savage‡ and W W Knight‡,						2	168	50	218	2 00
Galatia,	J C Fleetwood, Kinchen Davis and J Deloteh†,						1	50	3	53	4 00
Hamilton*,	Not represented.							23		23	
Hebron,	Isaac O Outlaw, A Vinson and L Benthall,				2		4	73	12	85	3 00

Hertford,	Elder E B Jones and R Felton‡,		2				2	43	51	94	4	00
Holly Grove,	Elder J Mitchell, W J Freeman and M J Rayner,	34	1				4	60	54	114	3	00
Macedonia,	Elder West Leary‡, T J Leary‡ and P F White‡,							62	5	67	1	50
Mars' Hill,	Elder B B Williams, G G Morris‡ and J W Perry‡,	4		1		6	2	108	3	111	3	00
Meherrin,	Elder J P Lee, W H Parker and O Parker,					6	6	207	103	310	7	50
Middle Swamp,	Elder H Speight, J A Rountree‡ and W E Matthews‡,		1		1	51	3	85	30	115	3	00
Mt. Carmel,	Elder J J Rochelle, W J Taylor and D Deloteche,					1	9	192	83	275	5	00
Mt. Tabor,	John Gatling, Sr, A J Cobb and W A Vaughan,				1	3	4	169	50	219	6	00
Murfreesborough,	Elder A McDowell, B A Spiers and L T Spiers‡,				4		2	67	7	74	5	00
New Hope,	T W Babb and W H Riddick,								56	56	3	00
Piney Grove,	W L Fitcher, Elder E Howell† and W H Howell‡,					34	10	92	47	139	7	00
Pleasant Grove,	Dr G C Moore, J A Perry and Langley Taylor,		1		3		3	73	37	110	6	00
Potecasi,	Matthias Cook, H C Edwards and G D Hollomon‡,					2	4	175	56	231	3	00
Powell's Point,*	Not represented.									59		
Providence,*	Not represented.									91		
Ramoth Gilead*,	Not represented.											
Republican,	W H Bunch†, A R Thompson‡ and W Weston,	21	5			1	5	65	75	140		
Roanoke Island*,	Not represented.							172	59	231	2	00
Robert's Chapel,	Jas Atkinson, W Boone and J B Barnes,							73	34	107		
Rocky Hock,	Elder J B Webb, Thos Cochran‡ and W Perry‡,					3	6	151	49	200	6	00
Ross' M. H,	W J Mitchell, W H Hughes‡ and C A Halsey‡,		1			1	4	171	10	181	2	00
Salem,	Asa Beal,† John Nichols‡ and A Hollowell,				3	4	9	340	42	382	4	50
Sandy Cross*,	Wm Manning (no letter),					3	4	80	14	94	1	50
Sandy Run,	J A Tyler, W J Cox and Elder E Hancock,†							266	71	337		
Sawyer's Creek,	W R Forbes, T B Boushall and Elder E Forbes‡,	2	1		1		2	162	97	259	6	00
Shady Grove*,	Not represented.					9	4	296	56	352	8	00
Shiloh*,	Not represented.							119	3	122		
Whiteville Grove,	Not represented.							334	145	479	2	00
White Oak,*	Not represented.							150	11	161		
Yoppim,	H Bass‡, John Bonner† and J T Waff‡,							42	53	95		
Pleasant Plains,	Elder Thos Hoggard and Jos A Measles,	1	4	1	9	5	4	118	36	154	4	00
						4	2		200	200	3	00
		106	37	6	49	178	160	7570	2949	10669	$ 173	50

* Statistics of last year retained. ‡Absent.

...rian of the civil history of the present time will have occasion frequently to mention the names of the distinguished men, who have borne a conspicuous part in the pending revolution, so he, who writes the history of the religious organization in the bounds of the Chowan Association, for the last thirty years, will have occasion frequently to refer to the labors of Elder James Delk, as he spent much of that time within its bounds battling as a true and faithful soldier of the cross, and was more or less intimately connected with all its benevolent enterprises.

He was born in Southampton county, Va., Aug. 20th, 1788, and resided in that county, or an adjoining county until the year 1825. His educational advantages in early life were limited: for life most of those whom God has decreed worthy of honor, he was poor in this world's goods, and like Mary's husband and Mary's son, earned an honest living by the labor of his hands, and his entrance upon the ministry, by the hand of the Lord, was from a humble avocation of a carpenter.

In the year 1811, one year after his marriage, while in the vigor of early manhood, he professed religion and was baptized into the fellowship of Mill Swamp church, Isle of Wight county, Va. Shortly after uniting with the church, he was deeply impressed by the conviction that it was his duty to preach the gospel. Sensible of his incapacity to teach others, and struggling with poverty, he put from him the thought, to banish the thought from his mind; yet it returned with increasing weight, till finally he yielded to the conviction of duty,—laid aside the implements of his trade, girded on the soldier's armor, and entered the field to battle for Christ and his truth. Having exercised as a licentiate for the ministry by the church at Black Creek, Scotland Neck, N. C., in the year 1828. About the end of the same year, he removed to Martin County, North Carolina and spent the next seven years in the Chowan Association, residing, in the mean time, in the counties of Camden and Hertford. After that having removed to Warrenton, he labored for three years among the churches of Tar River Association. In 1837 he lost his companion by death, and from this time he travelled as an evangelist in the States of North Carolina and Virginia till the year 1843, when he married a second time in Bertie county, N. C., and resumed the pastoral care of churches in the Chowan Association, where he continued to labor with much acceptance and success until disabled by the last sickness. What were the results of his extensive labors as an evangelist, the writer has no means of certainly ascertaining, but the favor with which his services were received and the many baptized by his hands, will testify that the services were not in vain.

During the early years of his ministry, he was associated much in company with that devoted servant of Christ, Elder A. P. Bagwell, of whom he ever retained a lively and grateful remembrance, and for whose rich experience and paternal counsel, he no doubt derived much information, which he learned to valuable account in his subsequent labors.

"The love of truth" was a striking trait in the character of Elder Delk, and by it was led to make the Bible his only text book in theology, and thus he became distinguished for his knowledge of the Scriptures and for the unpremeditated [illegible] which he was enabled for the truth's sake [illegible] delivered [illegible]

He was a primitive and pure [illegible] Baptist. [illegible] believed in the [illegible] that the system of doctrine and polity [illegible] was in accordance with the word of God, [illegible] the early [illegible] was the ancient landmarks of the denomination [illegible] in precept or in [illegible] the exercise of his ministerial duty [illegible] for punctuality, [illegible] and always [illegible] unless providentially [illegible] of the many members of the [illegible] failed without a satisfactory [illegible] last conference of the year of his life, [illegible] the work of colportage, under the supervision of the Bertie Union [illegible] and labored [illegible] colporteur, [illegible] the duties and [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

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HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Buckhorn, Hertford Co., N. C.,

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Proceedings.

Church at Buckhorn, N. C.
Tuesday, May 10 1864.

The Chowan Baptist Association met, in its 58th annual session on Tuesday, 10th of May, 1864, with the church at Buckhorn.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder R. R. Overby, from Mark XIII, part of 34th verse "And to every man his work."

After an intermission of one hour, the delegates assembled at the call of the Moderator. Opening prayer by Elder Henry Speight.

Brethren H. Gatling, A. Thomas and W. B. Darden sat as committee of finance.

Bro. A. Bass was appointed assistant Clerk.

Letters from the churches were called for and read, the roll of members being completed, it was called, and the Association proceeded to organization.

Dr. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator, S. J. Wheeler Clerk.

Visiting brethren in the ministry were invited to seats. Elder R. R. Savage from the Dan River Association, Va., was recognized.

The death of our beloved brother Elder Wm. A. Vann was announced, when it was resolved that Elder R. B. Jones deliver a discourse before the Association at 11 o'clock to-morrow in memory of our dear departed young brother.

Pastor and deacons of this church were appointed a committee on pulpit supplies.

Resolved, That we meet at 9 A. M., to-morrow, and spend the first hour in devotional exercises; at 12 o'clock, have a sermon.

Elder McDowell, from the committee to settle with the former treasurer (Dr. S. J. Wheeler,) reported: report received, committee discharged: report ordered to be printed

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO SETTLE WITH THE FORMER TREASURER.

S. J. WHEELER in Account with Chowan Baptist Association.

DR.		
For amount in treasury May, 1861,		$131 07
CR.		
By cash paid for printing minutes of 1861,	$84 00	
" " postage on 999 copies,	19 98	
" services in transcribing minutes,	25 00	128 98
Balance due Chowan Baptist Association,		$ 2 09

A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

Treasury was ordered to pay Elde J. D. Huf ham, sixteen ($16) dollars, ballance due on former minutes.

Elder John Mitchell, (Clerk for past year) submitted his report, which was read and ordered to be printed.

JOHN MITCHELL to Chowan Baptist Association.

	Dr.		
1863. May 14.	To amt. received to send *Recorder* to soldiers,		$363 25
	" for Foreign Missions,		50 00
	" for Baptist State Convention,		195 20
			$608 45
	CR.		
June 2nd.	By amount paid Elder J. D. Huf ham,	363 25	
" 1st.	" " " Elder J. S. Purefoy,	245 20	608 45
	MINUTE FUND.		
May 14th.	To amt. received for Minute fund,		$131 50
	CR.		
July 22.	By amt. paid for printing minutes,	121 00	
	" " for box and freight to Weldon,	3 75	
	By expenses from Weldon to Murfreesboro,	1 50	126 25
	Balance on hand,		$5 25

On motion, adjourned; prayer by Elder J. B. Webb.

WEDNESDAY, May 11th, 1864. (Sultry windy day.)

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder R. R. Savage.

Roll was called.

Elder Needham B. Cobb appeared in our midst, and was recognized as Superintendent of Army Colportage and Secretary of Board of Missions of N. C. B. S. Convention.

Elders J. N. Hoggard, J. B. Webb and R. R. Overby, were appointed committee on state of religion, to report at our next session.

Committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported.

REPORT ON C. F. C. INSTITUTE.

Through the kind providence of God, the school has been continued without interruption to the present time. Instruction has been given by competent and experienced teachers in all the departments, except that of Painting, which has been discontinued ever since the commencement of the war.

One death occurred suddenly, on the 4th of March, after only a few hours illness of congestive chill. With this exception there has been no other case of serious sickness, and to most of the pupils it has been a session of uninterrupted and profitable study.

During the year, fifty-four pupils have entered the Institution, thirty-six of whom are now in attendance.

While sincerely lamenting the sad circumstances, which have so materially disminished our former prosperity, we feel that our gratitude is due to God for having permitted us to continue the school with as much success as we have enjoyed.

A. McDOWELL.

Report was received, committee discharged, ordered to be printed.

Committee on Temperance reported.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance would beg leave to report that, from the best information which we are able to gather, there seems to be a sad decline in the effort of christians to suppress this debasing and ruinous evil. In all the letters from the different churches, we heard nothing at all of the cause of Temperance; no words condemnatory of intemperance, or the practice of making intoxicating liquors. Owing to the scarcity of liquor in the land, and the exorbitant price which it commands, temperance at this time generally prevails. But this is not to be attributed to any effort of christians to check the influence of intemperance, or a disposition of the people generally to abandon the practice of using strong drink; but the dearth which has come upon us of the materials out of which it is made. The scarcity of the thing at this time has saved our churches from much of its withering, blighting and ruinous influence. It is to be feared that the high prices which strong drink now commands, and the *love* of money, will influence many who call themselves christians, and would have us to consider them such, to become allies of the powers of darkness and abettors of ungodly men in aiding them in turning loose the poison of the still.

and flooding our country with the water of death. "The making of brandy at this time is a strong temptation to one who loves mammon more than Christ; so strong is it, we fear that many of our brethren will be carried a way by its force unable to resist so powerful a temptation."

Brethren, let us arise in the strength of christanity and love to Christ, and show to the world that *we* are above such a low, debasing, and degrading practice as making and selling strong drink for gain.

Let us as christians, as Baptists set an example worthy of imitation by the Lords of creation; and worthy of the imitation of all men, in resisting the temptation to make, *sell* or *use* as a beverage strong drink.

Let us resolve to discountenance the making, selling, or using of intoxicating liquors by whomsoever it may be practiced, setting the seal of our disapprobation and condemnation upon it, endeavoring by our example and influence, to save the country, and deliver the land from the power of this Apollyon.

JNO. N. HOGGARD, Chm'n.

Report received, committee discharged, ordered to be printed.

Association took a recess to hear the funeral sermon of Elder William A. Vann, deceased by Elder R. B. Jones, which was listened to by a crowded, deeply affected audience.

On re-assembling Committee on N. C. Baptist State Convention reported.

REPORT ON THE N. C. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Your committee are gratified to report, that while the war has temporarily suspended the benevolent labors of the Convention in some of its departments, it has stimulated others to greatly increased efficiency.

The department of education was suspended at an early stage of the war, by all the beneficiaries under the charge of the Convention going into the service of the country.

At the last session of the Convention, a resolution was adopted, instructing the Board of Education to appoint an agent to canvass the state to raise a fund for the education of the children of deceased and disabled soldiers of N. C.

The department of State Missions has also been practically suspended for the last two years; all their missionaries and colporters having been transferred to the army.

The Board however, are anxious to resume their labors in this department, and they earnestly invoke contributions for this object. In the department of Army Missions the Convention is doing a great work. Elder N. B. Cobb, the efficient Superintendent, reports that since Nov. 1862 the Home Mission Board of the Convention have sent to the army 40 Missionaries and Colporters, 22,000 Bibles and Testaments, over $6400 worth of Biblical Recorders, 15,000 Hymn Books, several millions of pages of tracts, and are now supplementing the salaries of all married Baptist Chaplains from this State, and striving to place a copy of the New Testament in the hands of every North Carolina soldier. This object commends itself to the heart and conscience of every christian, as of paramount importance. Whatever is done for this work must be done quickly, and your committee unite with the Board in earnestly invoking increased contributions.

In the department of Foreign Missions your committee are unable to report the amount that has been done during the year, but they have reason to fear

that the contributions have been less than in former years, and far less than the importance of the object demands. Our brethren in foreign lands are dependent on us for support now as formerly, and there are many and cogent reasons why our contributions to this object should be greatly increased. Now among the least sins committed by our enemies in this cruel war and for which they will have to answer to a just God, is the denying us the opportunity of sending funds to our missionaries through the direct channel, and forcing us to incur the risks of blockade running, thus greatly increasing the expense of sustaining our missionaries. God has perhaps permitted the enemy to do this, for the very purpose of stimulating us to increase our contributions. Let us not incur the guilt of disregarding the divine motion thus given us.

The Convention, at its last meeting, organized a Sabbath School and Publication Board located in the City of Raleigh, which we are happy to report, has commenced its work under favorable auspices and that it now has several valuable Sunday School works in course of publication. Contributions to this object are solicited and may be sent to Elder J. K. Howell, Raleigh, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

The report elicited an animated discussion, which was followed by a contribution of $11287.92, old issue. Report received, committee discharged, ordered to be printed.

Pending the discussion, it was ordered, that the consideration of that portion of the report referring to education of orphan of deceased soldiers and children of wounded soldiers be postponed until to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

On motion, adjourned. Prayer by Elder R. H. Overby.

THURSDAY, May 12th, 1864. (Cloudy, rainy day.)

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder R. B. Jones.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be held with the church at Robert Chapel, Northampton county, to commence Tuesday before the Lord's day in May, 1865. Elder R. B. Jones to preach the introductory, Elder W. L. Fitcher, the alternate. Elder A. McDowell was selected to preach Conventional sermon, Elder J. Mitchell the alternate.

Moderator then announced the following standing committees, viz:

On State of Religion—Elders Jno. N. Hoggard, Webb and Overby.

On Wake Forest College—Elder McDowell, brethren Gen. A. Brett and B. A. Spiers.

On C. Fem. Institute—brethren W. W. Mitchell, ... Spiers and Wheeler.

On Reynolds'on Institute—Elders Fitcher, S. Worrell and brother Babb.

On Temperance—Elder J. B. Webb, brethren W. B. Darden and R. B. Cobb

On Baptist State Convention—Elder John Mitchell, brethren W. S. Taylor and Willie Dunning.

On Periodicals—Elder R. B. Jones, brethren Saml. Sutton and R. Felton.

On Sunday Schools—Elders J. N. Hoggard, J. J. Rochelle and brother Jas. B. Barnes.

Corresponding delegates to other Associations were then announced, viz:

To Portsmouth Association—Elders Overby, Hoggard and Fitcher.

To Tar River Association—Elders Mitchell, Bunch and Hancock.

To Pamlico Association—Elders McDowell, Craig and Williams.

To Union Association—Elders Speight, Worrell and J. P. Lee.

Ordained ministers, or other brethren attending, were appointed delegates to N. Carolina Baptist State Convention.

That portion of the report of the committee on N. C. B. S. Convention, pertaining to the education of children of wounded and orphans of deceased soldiers, postponed yesterday, was taken up, discussed and ordered to be printed.

The subject of State Missions, after an interesting debate, was closed, and a contribution made.

Resolved, That the churches be requested to keep an accurate account of the amount paid to various objects of charity during the year, and report the same in their letters, to appear in the minutes.

The Moderator was empowered to stipulate with Elder Lake, our agent, for raising a fund for educating the children of wounded soldiers, &c.

Resolved, That a collection in behalf of Foreign Missions be taken up after the Conventional sermon.

Committee on Periodicals reported; report received, committee discharged; ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee, to whom was referred the subject of Periodicals, beg leave to submit the following:

God, in His great designs in evangelizing the world, has employed various means of grace for the accomplishment of His purposes; amongst which we find a well conducted religious periodical as no small item, ever brilliantly shining amidst the darkness of the world and the depravity of our poor, frail hearts, to assist, not only the ministry but the church, in reflecting as they should the glorious light of the gospel of God's dear Son, and saving a lost and ruined world from under the power of sin and darkness. And while we have to lament the untimely death of so many of our invaluable papers, yet we rejoice to know that amidst all the shifting scenes through which we have, and are yet passing, that under the blessings of God and efficient labor of its Editor, there is still one to live and burn as a great light in a dark place, reflecting its beauteous and glorious rays of light throughout the length and breadth of this Association, and the State at large. Nor does it stop here; but under God's direction it finds its way to the tented field, yea, to the battle plains, and speaks words of love, comfort and peace to the troubled and aching hearts of our dear soldiers, who have left home and friends and all the comforts of life to go forth as a protection to us against the face of our enemies. The soldier receives it with a thankful heart, reads it, and blesses God for the privilege of thus doing, and feels that some dear one at home has been the instrument in God's hands of sending the message of love and peace to him. We refer to the "Biblical Recorder," whose Editor ever finds a place of affection in all our hearts, and whose paper should, and we hope will find a hearty welcome in every family. We, therefore, recommend still more vigorous efforts for its support, and pray God to sustain its humble editor and make him and his paper a still greater blessing to us and the world.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. WEBB.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee feel that the magnitude and importance of this enterprise, has not been duly felt by the churches of this body. As evidence, we need only refer to the report on Sabbath Schools last year. There were 39 churches represented: only 7 had schools, with an aggregate of 300 pupils and 52 teachers. The great contrast between the aggregate number of Baptists, composing this body, and the number of Sabbath School teachers and pupils is truly alarming, and must suggest painful reflections. We believe that in evangelizing the world the Sabbath School stands next to the pulpit. It has been especially honored, as a chosen instrumentality, in winning souls to Christ. Without enlarging, we present some of its features, which should endear it to the hearts of all christians.

1. It tends to promote the proper observance of the Sabbath.

2. It brings children under the influence of religious instruction, and surrounds them with such influences as tend to promote virtue and restrain vice.

3. Children who have been trained in a well conducted Sabbath School, other things being equal, make the most intelligent, useful christians.

4. Teaching children the fear of the Lord, it has a most happy effect in family government.

5. It affords a happy and spiritually remunerative employment for christians.

These features of the Sabbath School are quite apparent, and have doubtless been seen by the most of us, but we fear their influence has not been duly felt.

No church is alive to her responsibility that does not have a Sabbath School. The pastor who feels or acts indifferently on this subject, has just reason to suspect that he has mistaken his calling.

While the war has called many of our most active members from home, rendering it more difficult to conduct a Sabbath School, yet the demoralizing effects of it, together with the multiplied number of orphans, renders the Sabbath School imperatively necessary. Let the remnant of brethren, together with the sisters, engage in the Sunday School, and be cheered by the thought, that around their knees are standing future legislators, pious, efficient ministers, and more than all, immortal spirits to live in glory or sink in despair.

We would earnestly request all the churches in this Association, to commence this enterprise, if they have not. Should any think it a matter of *small* importance, let them lay aside the work of winning souls to Christ for something *more* important, and angels if they could, would gladly take their places.

We are gratified to learn that the Convention at its last session appointed a Sabbath School and Publication Board, located in Raleigh. We regard this as a step in the right direction, which should obtain our sympathy and hearty co-operation.

In order that the churches may know what is being done in this Association, in this department of christian labor, we subjoin the following statistics as reported through the letters:—The churches at Bethel, Buckhorn, Hertford, Holly Grove, Meherrin, Murfreesboro, Poteeasi, Sawyer's Creek, with an aggregate of 381 pupils and 58 teachers. The churches at E. City, Capeheart's, Galatia and Yopplin have Sabbath Schools, but give no statistics.

Respectfully submitted.

R. B. JONES, Chm'n.

The Association adjourned to hear Conventional sermon, which was delivered by Eld. Cobb. A collection of $377 12 old issue was taken up.

On re-assembling, committee on Finance reported.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Committee on Finance beg leave to report as follows:

Amount in treasury,	$ 7 34
Present amount contributed to minute fund,	341 00
Making in the aggregate,	$348 34

Report received, committee discharged; ordered to be printed.

Bro. Jas. A. Delk was requested to prepare a biographical sketch of the late Elder W. A. Vann to be appended to these minutes.

REV. WILLIAM A. VANN.

Bro. Vann was born in the county of Hertford, N. C., Dec. 13th, 1839. Of his childhood and early habits, I know but little Affectionate and dutiful to his parents, kind and forgiving to his playmates, he won the love and praise of all. In the spring of 1860, he made a public profession of religion, and was soon after baptized by Elder Jas. Delk, and was received into the fellowship of the church at Buckhorn in his native county, where he was, at that time, prosecuting his studies. He at once enlisted in the cause of religion, taking an active part in the boys' prayer-meeting held at that place. His brethren seeing

in him promising indications of future usefulness, soon licensed him to preach. Fully determined to devote his life to his Master's service, he entered Wake Forest College in the fall of 1860, where, by his pious walk, gentlemanly bearing, and untiring energy, he endeared himself to those with whom he associated. Whether at the social circle, literary hall, or religious meeting, brother Billy (as he was familiarly called) was always a welcome and honored guest. Returning home, after the exercises of the College were suspended, he immediately resumed the active labors of his sacred calling. His brethren, confirmed in their opinion of his fitness and call to the work, set him apart by ordination in September, 1863. He continued laboring zealously and successfully to the churches among which he had been reared, until he received an appointment as army missionary from the Baptist Board of Missions, and afterwards became chaplain of the 13th N. C. Regiment. In the faithful and laborious discharge of the duties of this station, earnestly working for his God and his country, he was stricken down by disease, and after a short illness which he bore like a hero-christian, he died at Lynchburg, Va., April 29th, 1864, aged 24 years, 4 months, 16 days. His body rests in the soldiers' burial ground, his spirit is in paradise in the presence of his Savior. He can not come to us, but we can go to him, which is far better. Could our love have spared him he would have lived long to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ—riches, which in all their fulness, are now made known to him in blissful enjoyment. Surely then we should "weep as though we wept not," knowing that our temporary loss is his eternal gain. When a veteran soldier of the cross has finished his course, we love to retrospect his life, to count the victories he has won, the trophies gained; traveling back the path he has brightened by his labors, and hallowed by his sufferings, we mingle our sorrow with joy, that

"The pains of death are past,
Labor and sorrow cease,
And life's long warfare closed at last,
His soul is found in peace."

To brother Vann, apparently a long career of usefulness had just opened. We loved to picture to ourselves what he would be, when years had developed the promise of youth. Bringing all his abilities to the work and daily endeavoring to improve and increase those abilities, his friends fondly looked forward to a future of eminence. But God who does all things after the counsels of his own will, has disappointed our hopes, and it becomes us to bow in meek submission to his providence, and strive to live so that we may die his death. When asked if he desired to live, he replied, "Only if it be for the good of my Master's cause; I am resigned to his will." The morning before he died, he said, "I am fast passing away; my father is a sinner, tell him to seek Jesus." To his bereaved family and sorrowing friends, we would say, weep not for him, all is well. We soon shall follow him. May we all live so as to meet him where parting shall be no more.

"How short the race our friend has run,
Cut down in all his bloom,
The course but yesterday begun,
Now finished in the tomb."

JAMES A. DELK.

Committee on W. F. College reported.

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Your committee on Wake Forest College have to report that the exercises of that institution have not yet resumed, and probably will not be during the continuance of the present war.

JOHN MITCHELL, Chm'n.

Report received, committee discharged; ordered to be printed.

Resolved, That we commend our esteemed brother, Elder J. M. C. Luke, agent for the education fund for orphans and children of deceased and wounded soldiers, to the confidence and affection of our brethren, and recommend the object of his mission to their christian charity.

Information of the recent victories with which our armies have been blessed, having been received, the Association resolved that our thanks be recorded as due our Heavenly Father for such evidences of His protecting care, and that we bow now in solemn prayer of gratitude. Elder A. McDowell led in prayer, in which every heart present seemed fervently to unite.

Resolved, That we recommend our churches to observe frequent days of fasting and prayer, that God will still preside over our cause, and in His great mercy grant us an early and honorable peace.

Pastors of churches are requested to co-operate with Elder Luke as Agent for the education fund, which is to be held subject to the call of the Convention.

Resolved, That our thanks are due, and are hereby tendered to the brethren of this church, and friends in this vicinity, for the very kind reception and liberal entertainment given to the delegates and visitors to this Association.

Ordered that 2000 copies of these minutes be printed and distributed as usual.

On motion, adjourned. Prayer and praise by Elder Overby.

Thus ended one of the most harmonious, heavenly and effective sessions that the Chowan Association has held for many years. To God be all the glory.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk.

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor.
2 J. Bunch, Jr., "
3 A. M. Craig, "
4 J. D. Elwell, Blossom Hill, Va.
5 D. V. Ethridge, Ballard's Bridge.
6 W. L. Fitcher, Seaboard.
7 E. Forbes, Camden C. H.
8 E. Hancock, Roxobel.
9 David Harrell, Windsor.
10 T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
11 J. N. Hoggard, Murfreesboro'.
12 E. Howell, Reynoldson.
13 W. Hooper, Murfreesboro',
14 R. B. Jones, Hertford.
15 T. J. Knapp, Edenton.
16 West Leary, Edenton.
17 J. P. Lee, Murfreesboro'.
18 J. M. C. Luke, Murfreesboro'.
19 John Mitchell Pitch Landing.
20 M. L. Mizell, Windsor.
21 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro'.
22 R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City.
23 Edward Pierce, Merry Hill.
24 Thos. Pittman, Murfreesboro'.
25 J. J. Rochelle, Jackson.
26 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
27 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville.
28 A. Twine, Powell's Point.
29 Henry White, Mill Landing.
30 J. B. Webb, Edenton.
31 B. B. Williams, Coleraine.
32 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville.
33 H. J. White, St. Johns.
34 B. F. King, Windsor.
35 C. P. Bogert, Goldsboro'.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 T. W. Babb, Gatesville.
2 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
3 Joseph Berry, Powell's Point.
4 Wells Briggs, Elizabeth City.
5 W. H. Bunch, Mintonsville.
6 W. D. Chadwick, Powell's Point.
7 Willie Dunning, Roxobel.
8 T. L. Foxwell, Edenton.
9 J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury.
10 F. V. Hoskins, Elizabeth City.
11 A. Hollowell, Elizabeth City.
12 T. J. Leary, Edenton.
13 Ira Odham, Pitch Landing.
14 Abram Pruden, Gatesville.
15 D. J. Roberts, Newby's Bridge.
16 Exum Stevenson, Jackson.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excommunicated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Aheskie,	J M Luke, H. Medlin, A. J. Askew,†	113	2			36	12	865	107	472	$ 10 00
Ballard's Bridge,	No representation.									621	
Berea,	No representation.									187	
Bethel,	W. Felton, W. Myers, Samuel Sutton,	1				4	7	234	21	255	20 00
Bethlehem,	A. Thomas, A. Bass, Jr., G. T. Holomon,†					14	2	168	51	219	12 00
Buckhorn,	E. D. Brett, W. T. Majett, J. W. Barnes,	18	4	1	1	6	5	97	49	146	25 00
Capeheart's,	J. N. Hoggard E. Pierce,† J. Williams,†	124	2	2	1	4	12	377	208	578	5 00
Cashie,	No representation.									310	
Coleraine,	J L Morris, J. W. Beasley,† J. A. Northcut,†	8				29	4	324	172	496	10 00
Connaritsa,	A F. Early,† A. J. Dunning, J. Burden,†	11	5		8	4		254	6	315	10 00
Cool Spring,	No representation.									138	10 00
Cornith,	B. Lassiter, E E Maget,† Henry Gatling,	15	3		2	1	4	146	31	177	10 00
Ebenezer,	J. N. Overton,† C. G. Spence,† M. J. Overton,†							72	14	86	4 00
Edenton,	No representation.									144	
Elim,	Letter, no delegates,	24	1		2		3	54	35	89	5 00
Elizabeth City,	R. R. Overby, M Sanderlin, G. W. Kellinger, last y'r's statistics							385	74	459	
Galatia,	No representation									23	
Gatesville,	No representation.									108	
Great Fork,	O. P. Savage, J. A. Knight,† W. W. Knight,†						3	167	50	215	3 00
Hamilton,	No representation.								23	23	
Hebron,	J. O Outlaw, J. Vinson,† J. Gatlin,†	1			5		1	69	11	80	10 00
Hertford,	R B, Jones, R. Felton, J. L. Ferrell,			1	1	2		47	30	77	5 00
Holly Grove,	Jon. Mitchell, J. P. Freeman,† M. J. Rayner,†	27	1	1	1	16		72	53	125	15 00

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Macedonia,	No representation.										67		
Mars Hill,	No representation.										111		
Meherrin,	J. P Lee, W. Vaughn,† O. Parker,	53	3		1		2	224	126	350		10	00
Middle Swamp,	H. Speight, W. Riddick, W. Matthews,				2	6	1	79	28	107		15	00
Mt. Carmel,	J. J. Rochelle, W. J. Taylor,† J. T. Maddry,†	47				5	15	202	98	300		10	00
Mt. Tabor,	R. B. Cobb, W. Darden, J. A. Vann,	57			2	5	4	203	58	261		15	00
Murfreesboro',	A. McDowell, J. E. Darden, B. A. Spiers,				2	3		64	5	69		10	00
New Hope,	Letter, no delegate,									56		10	00
Piney Grove,	E. Howell,† W. L. Fitcher, *T. W. Babb*,		1				2	91	47	138		15	00
Pleasant Grove,	G. C. Moore, *W. Dunning*, W. S. Tayloe,		2		1	2		71	28	99		10	00
Pleasant Plains,	No representation												
Potecasi,	M. Cooke, W. T. Baughm,† H. C. Edwards,	30	1	1	1	1	4	201	57	258		10	00
Powell's Point,	No representation.									59			
Providence,	No representation.									91			
Ramoth Gilead,	No representation.									140			
Republican,	N representation.									231			
Roanoke Island,	No representation.									107			
Roberts' Chapel,	J. C. More,† E. Johnson, J. B. Barnes,	53	1		1	5	3	185	71	256		6	00
Rocky Hock,	J. B Webb, R. R. Felton, Mills Ashley,		1			11	8	162	7	169		6	00
Ross',	No representation.									382			
Salem,	No representation.									94			
Sandy Cross,	No representation.									337			
Sandy Run,	E. Hancock,† J. A. Tyler,† J. W. Brown,	28	2		2			160	40	200		20	00
Sawyer's Creek,	E. Forbes,† J. A. Spence,† W. R. Forbes,	20	1			3	6	310	13	323		20	00
Shady Grove,	No representation.									122			
Shiloh,	S. Leary,† D. H. Sawyer, B. Barco,† Statistics as by last report.							334	145	479		5	00
Whiteville Grove,	No representation.												
White Oak,	No representation.												
Yoppim,	No representation.												
52 churches.	†Absent. Ordained ministers in small cars Licentiates in italics.	625	31	5	30	176	95	7761	1675	9436		$316	00

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MINUTES

OF THE

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Proceedings.

CHURCH AT BUCKHORN, N. C.
Tuesday, May 10 1864.

The Chowan Baptist Association met, in its 58th annual session on Tuesday, 10th of May, 1864, with the church at Backhorn.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder R. R. Overby, from Mark XIII, part of 34th verse "And to every man his work."

After an intermission of one hour, the delegates assembled at the call of the Moderator. Opening prayer by Elder Henry Speight.

Brethren H. Gatling, A. Thomas and W. B. Darden sat as committee of finance.

Bro. A. Bass was appointed assistant Clerk.

Letters from the churches were called for and read, the roll of members being completed, it was called, and the Association proceeded to organization.

Dr. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator, S. J. Wheeler Clerk.

Visiting brethren in the ministry were invited to seats. Elder R. R. Savage from the Dan River Association, Va., was recognized.

The death of our beloved brother Elder Wm. A. Vann was announced, when it was resolved that Elder R. B. Jones deliver a discourse before the Association at 11 o'clock to-morrow in memory of our dear departed young brother.

Pastor and deacons of this church were appointed a committee on pulpit supplies.

Resolved, That we meet at 9 A. M., to-morrow, and spend the first hour in devotional exercises; at 12 o'clock, have a sermon.

Elder McDowell, from the committee to settle with the former treasurer (Dr. S. J. Wheeler,) reported: report received, committee discharged: report ordered to be printed

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO SETTLE WITH THE FORMER TREASURER.

S. J. WHEELER in Account with Chowan Baptist Association.

	DR.		
For amount in treasury May, 1861,			$131 07
	CR.		
By cash paid for printing minutes of 1861,		$84 00	
" " postage on 999 copies,		19 98	
" services in transcribing minutes,		25 00	128 98
Balance due Chowan Baptist Association,			$ 2 09

A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

Treasury was ordered to pay Elde J. D. Huf ham, sixteen ($16) dollars, ballance due on former minutes.

Elder John Mitchell, (Clerk for past year) submitted his report, which was read and ordered to be printed.

JOHN MITCHELL to Chowan Baptist Association.

	DR.		
1863. May 14.	To amt. received to send *Recorder* to soldiers,		$363 25
	" for Foreign Missions,		50 00
	" for Baptist State Convention,		195 20
			$608 45
	CR.		
June 2nd.	By amount paid Elder J. D. Huf ham,	363 25	
" 1st.	" " " Elder J. S. Purefoy,	245 20	608 45
	MINUTE FUND.		
May 14th.	To amt. received for Minute fund,		$131 50
	CR.		
July 22.	By amt. paid for printing minutes,	121 00	
	" " for box and freight to Weldon,	3 75	
	By expenses from Weldon to Murfreesboro,	1 50	126 25
	Balance on hand,		$5 25

On motion, adjourned; prayer by Elder J. B. Webb.

WEDNESDAY, May 11th, 1864. (Sultry windy day.)

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder R. R. Savage.

Roll was called.

Elder Needham B. Cobb appeared in our midst, and was recognized as Superintendent of Army Colportage and Secretary of Board of Missions of N. C. B. S. Convention.

Elders J. N. Hoggard, J. B. Webb and R. R. Overby, were appointed committee on state of religion, to report at our next session.

Committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported.

REPORT ON C. F. C. INSTITUTE.

Through the kind providence of God, the school has been continued without interruption to the present time. Instruction has been given by competent and experienced teachers in all the departments, except that of Painting, which has been discontinued ever since the commencement of the war.

One death occurred suddenly, on the 4th of March, after only a few hours illness of congestive chill. With this exception there has been no other case of serious sickness, and to most of the pupils it has been a session of uninterrupted and profitable study.

During the year, fifty-four pupils have entered the Institution, thirty-six of whom are now in attendance.

While sincerely lamenting the sad circumstances, which have so materially disminished our former prosperity, we feel that our gratitude is due to God for having permitted us to continue the school with as much success as we have enjoyed.

A. McDOWELL.

Report was received, committee discharged, ordered to be printed.

Committee on Temperance reported.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance would beg leave to report that, from the best information which we are able to gather, there seems to be a sad decline in the effort of christians to suppress this debasing and ruinous evil. In all the letters from the different churches, we heard nothing at all of the cause of Temperance; no words condemnatory of intemperance, or the practice of making intoxicating liquors. Owing to the scarcity of liquor in the land, and the exorbitant price which it commands, temperance at this time generally prevails. But this is not to be attributed to any effort of christians to check the influence of intemperance, or a disposition of the people generally to abandon the practice of using strong drink; but the dearth which has come upon us of the materials out of which it is made. The scarcity of the thing at this time has saved our churches from much of its withering, blighting and ruinous influence. It is to be feared that the high prices which strong drink now commands, and the *love* of money, will influence many who call themselves christians, and would have us to consider them such, to become allies of the powers of darkness and abettors of ungodly men in aiding them in turning loose the poison of the still.

and flooding our country with the water of death. The making of brandy at this time is a strong temptation to one who loves mammon more than Christ; so strong is it, we fear that many of our brethren will be carried a way by its force unable to resist so powerful a temptation.

Brethren, let us arise in the strength of christanity and love to Christ, and show to the world that we are above such a low, debasing, and degrading practice as making and selling strong drink for gain.

Let us as christians, as Baptists set an example worthy of imitation by the Lords of creation; and worthy of the imitation of all men, in resisting the temptation to make, *sell* or *use* as a beverage strong drink.

Let us resolve to discountenance the making, selling, or using of intoxicating liquors by whomsoever it may be practiced, setting the seal of our disapprobation and condemnation upon it, endeavoring by our example and influence, to save the country, and deliver the land from the power of this Apollyon.

JNO. N. HOGGARD, Chm'n.

Report received, committee discharged, ordered to be printed.

Association took a recess to hear the funeral sermon of Elder William A. Vann, deceased by Elder R. B. Jones, which was listened to by a crowded, deeply affected audience.

On re-assembling Committee on N. C. Baptist State Convention reported.

REPORT ON THE N. C. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Your committee are gratified to report, that while the war has temporarily suspended the benevolent labors of the Convention in some of its departments, it has stimulated others to greatly increased efficiency.

The department of education was suspended at an early stage of the war, by all the beneficiaries under the charge of the Convention going into the service of the country.

At the last session of the Convention, a resolution was adopted, instructing the Board of Education to appoint an agent to canvass the state to raise a fund for the education of the children of deceased and disabled soldiers of N. C.

The department of State Missions has also been practically suspended for the last two years; all their missionaries and colporters having been transferred to the army.

The Board however, are anxious to resume their labors in this department, and they earnestly invoke contributions for this object. In the department of Army Missions the Convention is doing a great work. Elder N. B. Cobb, the efficient Superintendent, reports that since Nov. 1862 the Home Mission Board of the Convention have sent to the army 40 Missionaries and Colporters, 22,000 Bibles and Testaments, over $6400 worth of Biblical Recorders, 15,000 Hymn Books, several millions of pages of tracts, and are now supplementing the salaries of all married Baptist Chaplains from this State, and striving to place a copy of the New Testament in the hands of every North Carolina soldier. This object commends itself to the heart and conscience of every christian, as of peramount importance. Whatever is done for this work must be done quickly, and your committee unite with the Board in earnestly invoking increased contributions.

In the department of Foreign Missions your committee are unable to report the amount that has been done during the year, but they have reason to fear

that the contributions have been less than in former years, and far less than the importance of the object demands. Our brethren in foreign lands are dependent on us for support now as formerly, and there are many and cogent reasons why our contributions to this object should be greatly increased. Not among the least sins committed by our enemies in this cruel war and for which they will have to answer to a just God, is the denying us the opportunity of sending funds to our missionaries through the direct channel, and forcing us to incur the risks of blockcade running, thus greatly increasing, the expense of sustaining our missionaries. God has perhaps permitted the enemy to do this, for the very purpose of stimulating us to increase our contributions. Let us not incur the guilt of disregarding the divine motion, thus given us.

The Convention, at its last meeting, organized a Sabbath School and Publication Board located in the City of Raleigh, which we are happy to report, has commenced its work under favorable auspices and that it now has several valuable Sunday School works in course of publication. Contributions to this object are solicited and may be sent to Elder J. K. Howell, Raleigh, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

The report elicited an animated discussion, which was followed by a contribution of $11287 92, old issue. Report received, committee discharged, ordered to be printed.

Pending the discussion, it was ordered, that the consideration of that portion of the report referring to education of orphan of deceased soldiers and children of wounded soldiers be postponed until to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

On motion, adjourned. Prayer by Elder R. R. Overby.

THURSDAY, May 12th, 1864. (Cloudy, rainy day.)

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder R. B. Jones.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be held with the church at Robert Chapel, Northampton county, to commence Tuesday before 3rd Lord's day in May, 1865. Elder R. B. Jones to preach the introductory; Elder W. L. Fitcher, the alternate. Elder A. McDowell was selected to preach Conventional sermon, Elder J. Mitchell the alternate.

Moderator then announced the following standing committees, viz:

On State of Religion—Elders Jno. N. Hoggard, Webb and Overby.

On Wake Forest College—Elder McDowell, brethren Geo. A. Brett and B. A. Spiers.

On C. F. C. Institute—brethren W. W. Mitchell, L. T. Spiers and Wheeler.

On Reynolds'on Institute—Elders Fitcher, S. Worrell and brother Babb.

On Temperance—Elder J. B. Webb, brethren W. B. Darden and R. B. Cobb

On Baptist State Convention—Elder John Mitchell, brethren W. S. Tayloe and Willie Dunning.

On Periodicals—Elder R. B. Jones, brethren Saml. Sutton and R. Felton.

On Sunday Schools—Elders J. N. Hoggard, J. J. Rochelle and brother Jas. B. Barnes.

Corresponding delegates to other Associations were then announced, viz:

To Portsmouth Association—Elders Overby, Hoggard and Fitcher.

To Tar River Association—Elders Mitchell, Bunch and Hancock.

To Pamlico Association—Elders McDowell, Craig and Williams.

To Union Association—Elders Speight, Worrell and J. P. Lee.

Ordained ministers, or other brethren attending, were appointed delegates to N. Carolina Baptist State Convention.

That portion of the report of the committee on N. C. B. S. Convention, pertaining to the education of children of wounded, and orphans of deceased soldiers, postponed yesterday, was taken up, discussed and ordered to be printed.

The subject of State Missions, after an interesting debate, was closed, and a contribution made.

Resolved, That the churches be requested to keep an accurate account of the amount paid to various objects of charity during the year, and report the same in their letters, to appear in the minutes.

The Moderator was empowered to stipulate with Elder Luke, our agent, for raising a fund for educating the children of wounded soldiers, &c.

Resolved, That a collection in behalf of Foreign Missions be taken up after the Conventional sermon.

Committee on Periodicals reported; report received, committee discharged; ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee, to whom was referred the subject of Periodicals, beg leave to supmit the following:

God, in His great designs in evangelizing the world, has employed various means of grace for the accomplishment of His purposes; amongst which we find a well conducted religious periodical as no small item, ever brilliantly shining amidst the darkness of the world and the depravity of our poor, frail hearts, to assist, not only the ministry but the church, in reflecting as they should the glorious light of the gospel of God's dear Son, and saving a lost and ruined world from under the power of sin and darkness. And while we have to lament the untimely death of so many of our invaluable papers, yet we rejoice to know that amidst all the shifting scenes through which we have, and are yet passing, that under the blessings of God and efficient labor of its Editor, there is still one to live and burn as a great light in a dark place, reflecting its beauteous and glorious rays of light throughout the length and breadth of this Association, and the State at large. Nor does it stop here; but under God's direction it finds its way to the tented field, yea, to the battle plains, and speaks words of love, comfort and peace to the troubled and aching hearts of our dear soldiers, who have left home and friends and all the comforts of life to go forth as a protection to us against the face of our enemies. The soldier receives it with a thankful heart, reads it, and blesses God for the privilege of thus doing, and feels that some dear one at home has been the instrument in God's hands of sending the message of love and peace to him. We refer to the "Biblical Recorder," whose Editor ever finds a place of affection in all our hearts, and whose paper should, and we hope will find a hearty welcome in every family. We, therefore, recommend still more vigorous efforts for its support, and pray God to sustain its humble editor and make him and his paper a still greater blessing to us and the world.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. WEBB.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee feel that the magnitude and importance of this enterprise, has not been duly felt by the churches of this body. As evidence, we need only refer to the report on Sabbath Schools last year. There were 32 churches represented: only 7 had schools, with an aggregate of 300 pupils and 52 teachers. The great contrast between the aggregate number of Baptists, composing this body, and the number of Sabbath School teachers and pupils is truly alarming, and must suggest painful reflections. We believe that in evangelizing the world the Sabbath School stands next to the pulpit. It has been especially honored, as a chosen instrumentality, in winning souls to Christ. Without enlarging, we present some of its features, which should endear it to the hearts of all christians.

1. It tends to promote the proper observance of the Sabbath.

2. It brings children under the influence of religious instruction, and surrounds them with such influences as tend to promote virtue and restrain vice.

3. Children who have been trained in a well conducted Sabbath School, other things being equal, make the most intelligent, useful christians.

4. Teaching children the fear of the Lord, it has a most happy effect in family government.

5. It affords a happy and spiritually remunerative employment for christians.

These features of the Sabbath School are quite apparent, and have doubtless been seen by the most of us, but we fear their influence has not been duly felt

No church is alive to her responsibility that does not have a Sabbath School. The pastor who feels or acts indifferently on this subject, has just reason to suspect that he has mistaken his calling.

While the war has called many of our most active members from home, rendering it more difficult to conduct a Sabbath School, yet the demoralizing effects of it, together with the multiplied number of orphans, renders the Sabbath School imperatively necessary. Let the remnant of brethren, together with the sisters, engage in the Sunday School, and be cheered by the thought, that around their knees are standing future legislators, pious, efficient ministers, and more than all, immortal spirits to live in glory or sink in despair.

We would earnestly request all the churches in this Association, to commence this enterprise, if they have not. Should any think it a matter of *small* importance, let them lay aside the work of winning souls to Christ for something *more* important, and angels if they could, would gladly take their places.

We are gratified to learn that the Convention at its last session appointed a Sabbath School and Publication Board, located in Raleigh. We regard this as a step in the right direction, which should obtain our sympathy and hearty co-operation.

In order that the churches may know what is being done in this Association, in this department of christian labor, we subjoin the following statistics as reported through the letters:—The churches at Bethel, Buckhorn, Hertford, Holly Grove, Meherrin, Murfreesboro, Potecasi, Sawyer's Creek, with an aggregate of 381 pupils and 58 teachers. The churches at E. City, Capeheart's, Galatia and Yoppim have Sabbath Schools, but give no statistics.

Respectfully submitted.

R. B. JONES, Chm'n.

The Association adjourned to hear Conventional sermon, which was delivered by Eld. Cobb. A collection of $377 12 old issue was taken up.

On re-assembling, committee on Finance reported.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Committee on Finance beg leave to report as follows:

Amount in treasury,	$ 7 34
Present amount contributed to minute fund,	341 00
Making in the aggregate,	$348 34

Report received, committee discharged; ordered to be printed.

Bro. Jas. A. Delk was requested to prepare a biographical sketch of the late Elder W. A. Vann to be appended to these minutes.

REV. WILLIAM A. VANN.

Bro. Vann was born in the county of Hertford, N. C., Dec. 13th, 1839. Of his childhood and early habits, I know but little Affectionate and dutiful to his parents, kind and forgiving to his playmates, he won the love and praise of all. In the spring of 1860, he made a public profession of religion, and was soon after baptized by Elder Jas. Delk, and was received into the fellowship of the church at Buckhorn in his native county, where he was, at that time, prosecuting his studies. He at once enlisted in the cause of religion, taking an active part in the boys' prayer meeting held at that place. His brethren seeing

him promising indications of future usefulness, soon licensed him to preach. Fully determined to devote his life to his Master's service, he entered Wake Forest College in the fall of 1860, where, by his pious walk, gentlemanly bearing, and untiring energy, he endeared himself to those with whom he associated. Whether at the social circle, literary hall, or religious meeting, brother Billy (as he was familiarly called) was always a welcome and honored guest. Returning home, after the exercises of the College were suspended, he immediately resumed the active labors of his sacred calling. His brethren, confirmed in their opinion of his fitness and call to the work, set him apart by ordination in September, 1863. He continued laboring zealously and successfully to the churches among which he had been reared, until he received an appointment as army missionary from the Baptist Board of Missions, and afterwards became chaplain of the 13th N. C. Regiment. In the faithful and laborious discharge of the duties of this station, earnestly working for his God and his country, he was stricken down by disease, and after a short illness which he bore like a hero-christian, he died at Lynchburg, Va., April 29th, 1864, aged 24 years, 4 months, 16 days. His body rests in the soldiers' burial ground, his spirit is in paradise in the presence of his Savior. He can not come to us, but we can go to him, which is far better. Could our love have spared him he would have lived long to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ—riches, which in all their fulness, are now made known to him in blissful enjoyment. Surely then we should "weep as though we wept not," knowing that our temporary loss is his eternal gain. When a veteran soldier of the cross has finished his course, we love to retrospect his life, to count the victories he has won, the trophies gained; traveling back the path he has brightened by his labors, and hallowed by his sufferings, we mingle our sorrow with joy, that

> "The pains of death are past,
> Labor and sorrow cease,
> And life's long warfare closed at last,
> His soul is found in peace."

To brother Vann, apparently a long career of usefulness had just opened. We loved to picture to ourselves what he would be, when years had developed the promise of youth. Bringing all his abilities to the work and daily endeavoring to improve and increase those abilities, his friends fondly looked forward to a future of eminence. But God who does all things after the counsels of his own will, has disappointed our hopes, and it becomes us to bow in meek submission to his providence, and strive to live so that we may die his death. When asked if he desired to live, he replied, "Only if it be for the good of my Master's cause; I am resigned to his will." The morning before he died, he said, "I am fast passing away; my father is a sinner, tell him to seek Jesus." To his bereaved family and sorrowing friends we would say, weep not for him, all is well. We soon shall follow him. May we all live so as to meet him where parting shall be no more.

> "How short the race our friend has run,
> Cut down in all his bloom,
> The course but yesterday begun,
> Now finished in the tomb."

JAMES A. DELK.

Committee on W. F. College reported.

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Your committee on Wake Forest College have to report that the exercises of that institution have not yet resumed, and probably will not be during the continuance of the present war.

JOHN MITCHELL, Ch'n.

Report received, committee discharged; ordered to be printed.

Resolved, That we commend our esteemed brother, Elder J. M. C. Luke, agent for the education fund for orphans and children of deceased and wounded soldiers, to the confidence and affection of our brethren, and recommend the object of his mission to their christian charity.

Information of the recent victories with which our armies have been blessed, having been received, the Association resolved that our thanks be recorded as due our Heavenly Father for such evidences of His protecting care, and that we bow now in solemn prayer of gratitude. Elder A. McDowell led in prayer, in which every heart present seemed fervently to unite.

Resolved, That we recommend our churches to observe frequent days of fasting and prayer, that God will still preside over our cause, and in His great mercy grant us an early and honorable peace.

Pastors of churches are requested to co-operate with Elder Luke as Agent for the education fund, which is to be held subject to the call of the Convention.

Resolved, That our thanks are due, and are hereby tendered to the brethren of this church, and friends in this vicinity, for the very kind reception and liberal entertainment given to the delegates and visitors to this Association.

Ordered that 2000 copies of these minutes be printed and distributed as usual.

On motion, adjourned. Prayer and praise by Elder Overby.

Thus ended one of the most harmonious, heavenly and effective sessions that the Chowan Association has held for many years. To God be all the glory.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk.

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 S. Bazemore, Windsor.
2 J. Bunch, Jr., "
3 A. M. Craig, "
4 J. D. Elwell, Blossom Hill, Va.
5 D. V. Ethridge, Ballard's Bridge.
6 W. L. Fitcher, Seaboard.
7 E. Forbes, Camden C. H.
8 E. Hancock, Roxobel.
9 David Harrell, Windsor.
10 T. Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
11 J. N. Hoggard, Murfreesboro'.
12 E. Howell, Reynoldson.
13 W. Hooper, Murfreesboro',
14 R. B. Jones, Hertford.
15 T. J. Knapp, Edenton.
16 West Leary, Edenton.
17 J. P. Lee, Murfreesboro'.
18 J. M. C. Luke, Murfreesboro'.
19 John Mitchell Pitch Landing.
20 M. L. Mizell, Windsor.
21 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro'.
22 R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City.
23 Edward Pierce, Merry Hill.
24 Thos. Pittman, Murfreesboro'.
25 J. J. Rochelle, Jackson.
26 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
27 J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville.
28 A. Twine, Powell's Point.
29 Henry White, Mill Landing.
30 J. B. Webb, Edenton.
31 B. B. Williams, Coleraine.
32 S. W. Worrell, Gatesville.
33 H. J. White, St. Johns.
34 B. F. King, Windsor.
35 C. P. Bogert, Goldsboro'.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 T. W. Babb, Gatesville.
2 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
3 Joseph Berry, Powell's Point.
4 Wells Briggs, Elizabeth City.
5 W. H. Bunch, Mintonsville.
6 W. D. Chadwick, Powell's Point.
7 Willie Dunning, Roxobel.
8 T. L. Foxwell, Edenton.
9 J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury.
10 F. V. Hoskins, Elizabeth City.
11 A. Hollowell, Elizabeth City.
12 T. J. Leary, Edenton.
13 Ira Odham, Pitch Landing.
14 Abram Pruden, Gatesville.
15 D. J. Roberts, Newby's Bridge.
16 Exum Stevenson, Jackson.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter	Excommunicated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie,	J M Luke, H. Medlin, A. J. Askew,†	113	2		2	86	12	365	107	472	$10 00
Ballard's Bridge,	No representation.									621	
Berea,	No representation.									187	
Bethel,	W. Felton, W. Myers, Samuel Sutton,	1				4	7	284	21	255	20 00
Bethlehem,	A. Thomas, A. Bass, Jr., G. T. Hollomon,†					14	2	168	51	219	12 00
Buckhorn,	E. D. Brett, W. T. Majett, J. W. Barnes,	18	4	1	1	6	2	97	49	146	25 00
Capeheart's,	J. N. Hoggard E. Pierce,† J. Williams,†	124	2	2	1	8	13	375	203	578	5 00
Cashie,	No representation.									310	
Coleraine,	J L Morris, J. W. Beasley,† J. A. Northcut,†	3				29	4	324	172	496	10 00
Connaritsa,	A. F. Early,† A. J. Dunning, J. Burden,†	11	5		8	4		254	61	315	10 00
Cool Spring,	No representation.									138	10 00
Corinth,	B. Lassiter, E. E Maget,† Henry Gatling,	15	8		2	1	4	146	31	177	10 00
Ebenezer,	J. N. Overton,† C. G. Spence,† M. J. Overton,†							72	14	86	4 00
Edenton,	No representa ion.									144	
Elim,	Letter, no delegates,	24	1		2		8	54	35	89	5 00
Elizabeth City,	R. R. Overby, M Sanderlin, G. W. Kellinger, last y'r's statistics							385	74	459	
Galatia,	No representation									23	
Gatesville,	No representation.									108	
Great Fork,	O. P. Savage, J. A. Knight,† W. W. Knight,†						8	165	50	215	8 00
Hamilton,	No representation.								23	23	
Hebron,	J. O Outlaw, J. Vinson,† J. Gatlin,†	1			5		5	69	11	80	10 00
Hertford,	R B, Jones, R. Felton, J. L. Ferroll,		1		1	29		4	80	72	5 00
Holly Grove,	Jon. Mitchell, J. P. Freeman,† M. J. Rayner,†	27	1	1	1	16		72	53	125	15 00

Macedonia,	No representation.									67		
Mars Hill,	No representation.									111		
Meherrin,	J. P. Lee, W. Vaughn,† O. Parker,	53	3	1		2	224	126	350		10	00
Middle Swamp,	H. Speight, W. Riddick, W. Matthews,			2	6	1	79	28	107		15	00
Mt. [illegible],	J. J. Rochelle, W. J. Jaylor,† J. T. Maddry,†	47			5	15	202	98	300		10	00
Mt. [illegible]	R. B. Cobb, W. Darden, J. A. Vann,	57		2	5	4	203	58	261		15	00
[illegible]	A. McDowell, J. R. Darden, B. A. Spiers,			2	8		64	5	69		10	00
New Hope,	Letter, no delegate,								56		10	00
Piney Grove,	E. Howell,† W. L. Fitcher, *T. W. Babb*,		1			2	91	47	138		15	00
Pleasant Grove,	G. C. Moore, *W. Dunning*, W. S. Tayloe,		2	1	2		71	28	99		10	00
Pleasant Plains,	No representation											
Potecasi,	M. Cooke, W. T. Baughm,† H. C. Edwards,	30	1	1	1	1	4	201	57	258	10	00
Powell's Point,	No representation.									59		
Providence,	No representation.									91		
Ramoth Gilead,	No representation.									140		
Republican,	No representation.									231		
Roanoke Island,	No representation.									107		
Roberts' Chapel,	J. C. More,† E. Johnson, J. B. Barnes,	53	1	1	5	3	185	71	256		6	00
Rocky Hock,	J. B. Webb, R. R. Felton, Mills Ashley,		1		11	3	162	7	169		6	00
Ross',	No representation.								382			
Salem,	No representation.								94			
Sandy Cross,	No representation.								337			
Sandy Run,	E. Hancock,† J. A. Tyler,† J. W. Brown,	28	2	2			160	40	200		20	00
Sawyer's Creek,	E. Forbes,† J. A. Spence,† W. R. Forbes,	20	1		3	6	310	13	328		20	00
Shady Grove,	No representation.								122			
Shiloh,	S. Leary,† D. H. Sawyer, B. Barco,† Statistics as by last report.						334	145	479		5	00
Whiteville Grove,	No representation.											
White Oak,	No representation.											
Yoppim,	No representation.											
52 churches	†Absent. Ordained ministers in SMALL CAPS Licentiates in *Italics*.	625	31	5	30	176	95	7761	1675	9436	$816	00

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Roberts' Chapel, Northampton Co., N. C.

MAY 16th—18th, 1865.

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PROCEEDINGS.

CHURCH AT ROBERTS' CHAPEL, Northampton Co.,
Tuesday 16th May, 1865.

The Chowan Baptist Association met in its 59th Annual Session with the church at Roberts' Chapel, Northampton county, N. C., on Tuesday 16th May, 1865.

Introductory sermon was preached by Elder R. B. Jones, from I Peter i. 23, "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible; by the word of God which liveth and abideth forever."

After an interval of one hour, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Elder J. B. Webb led in the opening prayer.

Brethren W. W. Mitchell, H. Gatling and J. W. Kellenger sat as committee on Finance.

Brethren H. C. Edwards and A. B. Adkins were appointed assistant Clerks.

Letters from churches were then called for and read; the roll of members being completed, it was called and the Association proceeded to organization.

Dr. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator and S. J. Wheeler, Clerk, for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats to aid in our deliberations. The following were recognised, viz: Elder A. J. Lowe from Portsmouth Association; Elder D. P. Gould and brethren Camp and Salisbury from Pamlico Association; Elders J. E. Carter and James Delk, from Big Hatchie Association, Tenn.

The decease of our esteemed brother Elder E. Hancock was announced to the Association.

Pastor and Deacons of this chnrch were appointed committee on pulpit supplies.

Association adjourned to meet at 9 A. M., to-morrow. Prayer by Elder A. J. Lowe.

Elder D. P. Gould preached in the grove at 3 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, May 17th, 1865.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder Speight.

Roll was called.

Elder Mitchell was appointed to prepare a biographical notice of the late Elder E. Hancock, to be appended to these Minutes.

Resolved, That we meet hereafter at 9 A. M., adjourn at 11 A. M., for devotional exercises and refreshment, meet again at 1 1-2 P. M.

Committee on religious exercises report; report recommitted to the committee.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported.

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Your committee have to report that the exercises of Wake Forest College are still suspended. A. McDOWELL, Chm'n.

Committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported.

REPORT ON CHOWAN FEMALE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

Your committee are gratified to report, that under the kind providence of God, the school has been continued without serious interruption. Fifty eight pupils have entered the Institute during the present year, forty nine of whom are now in attendance. Uninterrupted good health has prevailed, and though the place has been frequently visited by the enemy, the school has been entirely unmolested.

For the merciful providence which has protected this cherished institution and permitted it to continue its exercises, with so much success during the exciting scenes through which the country has passed, your committee feel that special gratitude is due to God, and that we are hereby called upon and encouraged to sustain the Institution with more than our former zeal and confidence.

W. W. MITCHELL, Chm'n.

Ministers of this Association are requested to use their influence in sending pupils to the Institute.

Resolved, That our thanks are due Elder McDowell for the energy and perseverence with which he has conducted the exercises of this institution.

Association adjourned at 11 A. M.

Elder Carter preached in grove at 11 A. M., Elder Lowe in the church at same hour.

On reassembling, committee on Reynoldson Institute reported.

REPORT ON REYNOLDSON INSTITUTE.

Your committee on Reynoldson Institute, report that its exercises have not yet been resumed. Respectfully,

W. L. FITCHER, Chm'n.

Committee on Temperance reported.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following: A few years ago the Temperance reform seemed to be sweeping through our land, exerting an influence unequalled by any other order of the day; men from the highest rank in life to those once degraded and only relieved from the gutter by the aid of a dear companion or friend, were flocking to the standard of the temperance reform by which the tears of many a dear wife were dried up and the cry for bread hushed. But alas! what has become of this once flourishing order? Like all other human organizations which endure for a season, its influence seems to be well nigh to an end. This shows the great importance of a strict adherence to the divine law upon the important subject of Temperance, which by the great apostle Peter is regarded as one of the chief christian virtues.

Temperance, when defined, is habitual moderation in regard to the indulgence of the natural appetites and passions. It was this subject to which Paul in his address directed the attention of Felix, in connection with righteousness and a judgment to come; it is placed also by the same Apostle among the fruits of the spirit against which there is no law; while on the other hand, drunkenness and intemperance is classed among the works of the flesh, concerning which the Apostle declares that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Now in view of all this, will the Baptists of the Chowan Association continue for the love of the almighty dollar to distill, sell and drink alcohol to excess? Let the answer come from every lover of truth and humanity no, no, no! While this should be the answer of all, the question may be asked by many, what harm can there be in it? I make and sell, I compel no one to drink. Let the brother remember that all men are responsible for the influence exerted by them. Look brethren at the State dockets of your courts; look at the records of your churches, blackened as they are with crime and

disorder, and a large portion of it is in consequence of the immoderate use of ardent spirits, and in many cases by Baptists who profess to have on the garment of salvation. It is argued, however, by some, that a little is necessary ; if so, let it be used at the proper time and place, so that none be a stumbling block in the way of his brother, nor stand in the way of sinners

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. WEBB, Ch'm'n.

Committee on Periodicals reported.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The importance of a religious periodical has been painfully realised by a greater portion of this body during the last three year, by being necessarily deprived of it. We feel, however, grateful to God and Bro. Hufham that the Biblical Recorder has been regularly issued, bearing its messages of encouragement and consolation to those within its reach.

Your committee hope that as soon as mail facilities will permit, that this body will unitedly rally to the support of the Recorder.—The changes superinduced by the revolution through which we have passed imperatively demand this.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. JONES, Ch'm'n.

Resolved, That Ministers present pledge themselves each one to become a voluntary agent for Biblical Recorder.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee feel that this is a great and important work and should be felt to be by the entire constituency of the Association, because it proposes to teach lessons of obedience to our Creator, and to remember him in the days of our youth ; because it proposes to teach us to remember the Sabbath day and to keep it holy, and to learn lessons of piety and reverence for God and His holy truth to the rising generation. We feel gratified to state that from the reading of the letters on yesterday, a decided improvement in this branch of christian labor is clearly visible. Last year showed a small increase, 58 teachers and 38 scholars, over 52 and 300 scholars the year before. This Associational year gives 145 teachers and 727 scholars, with a school at Gallatia and at Providence, the statistics not given. But we have to report that some of the churches that have heretofore been patterns for their zeal in this one of their Master's fields have wavered and faltered; they report no Sunday School

and we subjoin this remark : What a pity that all the youth of the neighborhood of these churches, after learning so many profitable lessons by precept and example should now see their teachers lukewarm and heedless. We beg leave to say, that this is a great field and the proclamation should be, every man to his work. Let every church count her responsibility by the weight of its importance.—It tends to promote the proper observance of the Sabbath. It brings children under proper religious instruction, and surrounds them with the reverence and fear of the Lord.

In conclusion, all of us have realised that in a well conducted Sabbath School where piety is the lesson, the influence is holy, elevating and humbling, and secures the young mind by a sweet attraction to truth and right, and weans it from and places it in fear and contempt of vice. Then we entreat the brethren and sisters of the Association to think upon this matter, investigate and act upon it.

After an interesting discussion on meetings of ministers for mutual improvement, the Association adjourned. Prayer by Elder Gould.

Elder Speight preached in grove at 3 o'clock, P. M. Elder Gould preached in Murfreesboro', at 7 1-2 P. M.

THURSDAY, May 18th, 1865.

Association met, prayer by Elder Savage.

Committee on N. C. Baptist State Convention reported.

REPORT ON N. C. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The Convention has now two Boards, the Board of Education and the Board of Missions. The Board of Education, on account of the suspension of Wake Forest College has done but little or nothing during the past year. The Convention at its last session thought it best not to engage in the work of educating the children of deceased and disabled soldiers, as a Convention, thinking that it did not come legitimately within its sphere of labor, and a society was organized to take in hand the prosecution of this great work.

The Board of Missions has been operating with great success in the department of Army Colportage. God has been glorified and many souls saved.

The department of State Missions has been resumed, and the churches have been solicited to send up contributions for this object. The Sabbath School and Publication Board, located in Raleigh, is in

successful operation and deserves our hearty cooperation and liberal patronage.

It is hoped that we shall now have free communication with our Missionaries in foreign lands, and this will bring new demands for an increase of contributions and of fervent prayer for this high and holy work.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN MITCHELL, Chm'n.

Roll was called, list of ministers called and corrected.

Moderator announced Standing Committees, to report at our next session, viz:

On state of Religion—Elders Savage, Leary and Briggs.

On Chowan Female Collegiate Institute—Elder Mitchell, brethren A. J. Askew and Wm. Lee.

On Temperance—Elder Luke, brethren W. W. Mitchell and H Gatling.

On Periodicals—Elder Rochelle, brethren Wheeler and Boone.

On Wake Forest College—Elder Jones, brethren W. Felton and Sam'l. Sutton.

On Reynoldson Institute—Elder Speight, brethren Willie Riddick and S. J. Rountree.

On North Carolina Baptist State Convention—Elder Overby, brethren Ferebee and Sanderlin.

On Sunday Schools—Elder McDowell, brethren J. R. Darden and L. T. Spires.

Committee on Finance reported; report recommitted, Elder Mitchell and brother Ferebee added to the committee.

Resolved, That the next session of this Association be held with the church at Ballard's Bridge, Chowan county, to commence on Tuesday before 3d Lord's day in May, 1866.

Elder Mitchell to preach the introductory: Elder McDowell alternate.

Elder J. N. Hoggard to preach Conventional sermon; Elder Savage, alternate.

The following brethren were appointed delegates to corresponding bodies, viz:

To Portsmouth Association, Elders Fitcher, Bunch and J. N. Hoggard.

To Union Association, Elders McDowell, Luke and Williams.

To Pamlico Association, Elders Rochelle, Craig and Mitchell.

As several churches have failed to send up minute funds delegates made an additional contribution of $153 (Bank money,) $5 on Union bank Tennessee inclusive.

The Clerk was instructed to record names of churches delinqent in paying for minutes, and the names are as follows:

Ahoskie delinquent in 1862; Ballard's Bridge, in 1862 and 1864; Bethlehem, 1862; Berea, 1861 to 1865; Capeheart's, 1865: Cashie, 1864 and 1865; Connaritsa, 1862; Cool Spring, 1862; Corinth, 1862; Ebenezer, 1861 to '65; Edenton, 1862 to '64; Elim, 1861 to '62; Galatia, 1862 to '64; Gatesville, 1861 and '64; Hamilton, 1861 to '65; Hebron, 1862; Lebanon, 1861 and '62; Macedonia, 1862, '64 and '65; Mt. Carmel, 1862; Mar's Hill, 1862, '64 and '65; Meherrin, 1862; New Hope, 1861; Piney Grove, 1862; Pleasant Plains, 1864; Pleasant Grove, 1862; Powell's Point, 1862 to '65; Providence, 1861 to '64; Ramoth Gilead, '61 to '65; Republican, 1862 and '64; Roanoke Island, 1861 to '65; Roberts' Chapel, 1862; Ross' Church, 1864; Salem, 1864 and '65; Sandy Run, 1862; Sandy Cross, 1861, '63 and '64; Shady Grove, 1861 to '64; Shiloh, 1861 and '62; Whiteville Grove, 1863 and '64; White Oak, 1862 to '65; Yoppim, 1862 and '64.

Minutes have been regularly sent to these churches, and if they will make up payments of past years, it is to be hoped there will be no deficit hereafter in minute funds.

Ordered that 2000 copies of these minutes be printed and distributed as usual.

Brethren Joshua Fleetwood, H. C. Edwards, T. D. Boone, and J. Atkinson, were appointed to take up collections after conventional sermon.

Association took a recess at 11 A. M., during which Elder McDowell preached conventional sermon, and a collection of $115 41 ($83 bank bills, $29 60 in treasury bills and $2 81 in silver.)

On reassembling, committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Amount in treasury at last Association $348 34 (1-3 off old issue,)		$232 23
" received by mail, after adjournment of Association,		20 00
		$252 23
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Amount paid for printing Minutes of 1864	$312 00	
" " Express to Weldon,	63 00	
" " Freight to Boykins Depot,	3 00	
" " " " Murfreesboro',	5 00	
" " J. D. Hufham by order of Association,	16 00	399 00
" due Treasurer in Confederate money (in bank money $43 98)		146 77
" sent up by churches in 1865,	$233 30	
" received in the Association,	153 00	406 30
Deduct deficit on last year's account,		43 98
Balance in treasury (silver $12 60, bank bills $349 72)		$362 32

Resolved, That all funds sent up by churches for Colportage, &c., be paid over by the Treasurer to Elder N. B. Cobb.

Resolved, That our solemn thanks to God our Heavenly Father, be recorded for His presence vouchsafed during the present session, and for the kind, brotherly and harmonious f eling that has generally pervaded our discussions.

Resolved, That our thanks are hereby tendered to members of this church and friends in the vicinity for the generous hospitality with which we have been entertained.

Elders J. E. Carter and John P. Lee were appointed evangelists to itinerate among our churches, as the Holy Ghost may move them until the next meeting of the Association. Brethren in the ministry requested to co-operate with them.

Elder R. R. Overby preached at 11 A. M. Elder Speight at 3 P. M.

Ordained ministers or other brethren attending, were appointed delegates to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, as far as our funds justify.

On motion, Association adjourned. Prayer and praise by Elder R. B. Jones.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator.*

S. J. WHEELER, *Clerk.*

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS OF THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1. T. W. Babb, Gatesville.
2. Wells Briggs, Elizabeth City,
3. S. Bazmore, Windsor,
4. J. Bunch, "
5. A. M. Craig, "
6. J. D. Elwell, Blossom Hill, Va.,
7. D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge,
8. W. L. Fitcher, Seaboard,
9. E. Forbes, Camden C. H.
10. D. Harrell, Windsor,
11. Thos Hoggard, Pitch Landing,
12. Ed. Howell, Reynoldson,
13. R. B. Jones, Hertford,
14. W Leary, Edenton,
15. J. P. Lee, Murfreesboro',
16. J. M. C. Luke, "
17. John Mitchell, Pitch Landing,
18. M. L. Mizell, Windsor,
19. A. McDowell, Murfreesboro',
20. R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City,
21. Ed. Pierce, Merry Hill,
22. Thos. Pitman, Murfreesboro',
23. J. J. Rochelle, Jackson,
24. R. R. Savage, Murfreesboro',
25. A. Speight, Gatesville,
26. J. D. Stokely, Hintonsville,
27. A. Twine, Powell's Point,
28. Henry White, Mill Landing,
29. J. B. Webb, Edenton,
30. B. B. Williams, Colerain,
31. S. W. Worrill, Gatesville,
32. H. J. White, St. Johns,
33. B. F. King Windsor,
34. C. P. Bogart, Goldsboro'.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1. Horatio Bass, Edenton,
2. Joseph Berry, Powell's Point,
3. W. H. Bunch, Windsor,
4. W. D. Chadwick, Powell's Point,
5. Willie Dunning, Roxobel,
6. J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury,
7. F. V. Hoskins, Elizabeth City,
8. A. Hollowell, Elizabeth City,
9. T. J. Leary, Edenton,
10. Ira Odom, Pitch Landing,
11. Abram Pruden, Gatesville,
12. D. J. Roberts, Newby's Bridge,
13. E. Stephenson, Jackson.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter	Excommunicated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie,	J. M. C. Luke, W. W Mitchell, and H. Modlin,	4		2		25	14	332	100	432	$ 10 00
Ballard's Bridge,	D. V. Etheridge,* R. D. Simpson and J. A. Bunch,	10	1		9	76	25	412	124	534	15 00
Berea											
Bethel,	G. B. Fleetwood, W. Felton and W. M. Fleetwood,	18	7	1	2		2	253	25	278	20 00
Bethlehem,	A. Thomas, J. D. Shaw and A. B. Adkins,	52				2	3	199	47	246	10 00
Buckhorn,	R. R. Savage, T. D Boone and T. D. Vann,		1			1	2	99	45	144	1 00
Capeheart's,	J. N. Hoggard, E Pierce* and J Rountree*,	8	2			4	28	340	216	556	13 00
Cashie,	A. M. Craig*, J. P. Pascoe* and J. L Tayloe*	15			2			183	266	449	
Coleraine,	J. L. Morriss, Wm. Nowell and J. W Beasley,				4	43		317	117	434	15 00
Conn'ritsa,	A. F. Early, A. J. Dunning and J. Burden*,	37		1		4	2	282	63	345	15 00
Coo Spring,	*A. Pruden**, J. M. Parker* and T. Umphlet,	1					2	143	9	152	10 00
Corinth,	H. Gatling, E Magett and B. Lassiter*,				2	3	5	137	8	145	10 00
Ebenezer,	No letter nor delegate.										
Edento	Letter; no delegates.	28	1		1	2	16	73	134	207	5 00
Flim,	No letter nor delegate.							54	35	89	5 00
Elizabeth City	R. R. Ovesby, M. Sanderlin and G. W. Kellinger,	1								459	30 00
Galatia,	J. Davis, R. P Stephenson and G. E. Hasty,	31				1	2	69	10	79	5 00
Gatesville,	S. W. Worrill* and T. E Cross*,							60	48	108	10 00
Great Fork,	J. Rogers,* J. H. Knight* and W. W. Knight,*				5		7	151	46	197	2 00
Hamilton,	No letter nor delegate.							28		28	
Hebron,	A. Castillo, J. W. Vinson and J. T. Gatling,						4	69	10	79	75
Hertford,	S. B. Jones, J. L Ferrell,* and J. S. Pearce,*	12	5				2	35	32	67	10 00
Holly Grove,	Jno. Mitchell, J. P. Freeman* and M. J. Rayner,*		1			1	4	70	51	121	10 00

Macedonia,	No letter nor delegates.									67		
Mars Hill,	No letter nor delegates.									111		
Meherrin,	Wm. Vaughan, J. P. Lee and E. Vaughan,	4	4	1			1	200	127	327	2	
Middle Swamp,	H. Speight, W. Rudick and S. J. Rountree,	59						102	65	167	6	50
Mt. Carmel,	J. J. Rochell, W. J. Tayloe and L. Stephenson,	1	2			1	6	312	94	396	2	70
Mt. Tabor,	W. B. Darden, W. Dunning and A. M. Darden,	1			3	9	4	190	53	248	2	50
Murfreesboro',	A. McDowell, J. R. Darden and B. A. Spiers,	1			5	4	1	38	2	37	15	00
New Hope,	J. A. Rountree *.						1		55	55	5	00
Piney Grove,	W. L. Fitcher T. W. Babb* and E. Howell,*							91	47	138	15	00
Pleasant Grove,	*W. Dunning*, W. S. Tayloe and G. C. Moore,						2	69	28	97	5	00
Pleasant Plains,	T. Hoggard* and J. H. Mizell,						2		100	100	1	50
Potecasi,	W. T. Baugham, M. M. Cooke and J. E. Maget,	2			1	4	8	188	58	246	2	00
Powell's Point,	No letter nor delegates.									59		
Providence	Letter. No delegates.	28				2	1	93		93	13	00
Remoth Gilead,	No letter nor delegates.									140		
Republican,	C. Pritchard, J. A. Pritchard and W. G. Burden,*.	68	1		2	1	12	196	89	285	1	50
Roanoke Island,	No letter nor delegates.									107		
Robert's' Chapel,	S. Edwards, Wm. Boone and [illegible] Atkinson,			3		4		2	178	71	249	8	00
Rocky Hock,	J. B. Webb R. R. Felton* and Miles Ashley,*	48	7	3	4	1	4	205	9	214	15	00
Ross' M. House,	M. L. Mizells * W. J. Mitchell and C. White,	29	1		1	3	12	328	46	374	2	00
Salem,	No letter nor delegates.									94		
Sandy Cross,	C. R. Brinkley,* J. Eason, W. H. Manning,				2	21	4	24	60	302	15	00
Sandy Run,	W. H. Lee, J. W. Brown and W. J. Cox,	10	1	1	1	2	9	152	48	200	15	00
Sawyer's Creek,	E. Ferebee, M. R. Gregory and W. B. Ferebee,	84	4	12	1	13	2	355	42	397	50	00
Shady Grove,	Letter. No delegates,	1	1				18	99		99	9	00
Shiloh,	B. Barco,* J. A. Brocket * and D. Burgess,*	24		2		13	2	254	145	399	10	00
Whiteville Grove,	Letter. No delegates	9	1	1	1	5		152	7	159	5	00
White Oak,	No letter nor delegates.							44	53	97		
Yoppim,	J. Bonner, M. Bass and J. T. Woff	18	2	3	4	2	1	124	80	154	15	00
52 churches.	*Absent. Ordained ministers in SMALL CAPS. Licentiates in *italics*.	596	41	26	54	286	216	8599	1075	10674	$ 886	80

Letters report $15 00 expended during the year for benevolent objects, and probably as much more was expended but not reported in the letters.

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

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HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Ballard's Bridge, Chowan Co., N. C.

MAY 15th–17th 1866.

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PROCEEDINGS.

CHURCH AT BALLARD'S BRIDGE,
Tuesday, May 15th, 1866.

THE Chowan Baptist Association met in its 60th annual session with the church at Ballard's Bridge on Tuesday, May 15th, 1866.

Introductory sermon was preached by Elder John Mitchell from Rom. III: 21, "But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets." After an interval of an hour, the delegates were called together by the moderator. Elder Forbes led in the opening prayer.

Brethren Jet R. Darden, R. D. Simpson and Joseph Warren sat as Committee on finance.

Brethren W. Carey Parker and Augustus Bass were appointed assistant Clerks.

Letters from the churches were called for and read. The roll of members being completed, it was called and the Association proceeded to organization.

Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats. The following were recognized, viz: Elder J. D. Hufham, from Central Association, Elder W. T. Walters, Corresponding Secretary Board of State Missions State Convention, Elder J. F. Deans, from Portsmouth Association, and a package of their minutes, Elder Henry Spivey, from Pamilico Association, who laid copies of Pamlico minutes on the table, and Elder T. C. Bailey, Principal of Reynoldson Institute.

A church constituted on Warwick in 1861, in Chowan county, petitioned for admission in this body. The Association being satisfied of her standing and orthodoxy by a

portion of the constituting presbytery present, received her, the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

Elders McDowell, Overby and Mitchell were appointed a committee to report on the relations of the colored members of the churches to this body.

Pastor and deacons of this church were appointed committee on religious exercises.

Committee on finance was instructed to take charge of all funds sent up for benevolent objects.

Association adjourned until 9 1-2 A. M., to-morrow. Prayer by Elder R. B. Jones.

Elder R. R. Overby preached at the stand in the grove at 2 1-2, P. M., and Elder T. C. Bailey in Methodist Church at Centre Hill at 7 1-2 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, May 16th, 1866.

Association met at 9 1-2 A. M. Prayer by Elder Henry Spivey. Roll was called.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported.

Committee on Chowan Female Institute reported. Report laid on the table.

Committee on Temperance reported. Report received and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee beg leave to report that the demoralized condition into which the temperance organizations of the country have been thrown, by the results of the last several years, has not been much relieved by the cessation of hostilities and the return of the people to their former peaceful employments.

The intoxicating cup, which was resorted to in the heat and strife of conflict, is still courted, to aid the exultations of triumph and to support under the mortification of defeat.

Thus has intemperance gathered strength, which it threatens to hold with increasing power. If its ravages were confined to the world, we might hope that the renewing grace of God, operating through His word and the institutions of His church, would transform the hearts of men, and thus stem its tide

of evil, but unfortunately for the world and the church, the church of Almighty God is conniving at intemperance and encouraging its ravages by permitting her members to indulge in the use of ardent spirits as a beverage, and what is infinitely worse, to make and vend it to others.

We ask, shall the evil be continued among as? Ought we not, as a church, to get rid of such an incubus? What would be thought of a community of citizens who would allow one of its members to plant on its most frequented thoroughfare a Upas tree to infect the surrounding atmosphere and communicate certain death to every passer-by? Would not the whole community be held responsible for the injury done, if they did not rise as one man and use every means in their power to arrest the evil, by removing the cause and taking such action in the premises as to prevent a recurrence of it? And can we as a church hope to escape the terrible vengeance of Almighty God, and a fearful reckoning with injured society, while we tolerate this Achan in our camp. We ask, and we ask with an emphasis which we hope will be applied by the spirit of Him whose we are and whom we serve, should we not lop off these dead branches and thus declare to the world that we as a church will not tolerate intemperance in any form?

Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the making, using or selling intoxicating liquors as a beverage, is an evil which the christian church should not tolerate or in any wise connive at among its members. Respectfully submitted,

J. M. C. LUKE.

Report on C. F. C. Institute was taken up, and during the discussion, Association took recess for an hour.

On re-assembling, all the pastors present (see names appended to report) pledged themselves to collect annually for the Institute until its debts are all paid. The report was received and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON C. F. C. INSTITUTE.

The prosperity of the Institute, under the presidency of Elder A. McDowell, has exceeded the most sanguine hopes of its friends.

Eighty-seven pupils have entered during the year. Eighty-one are now in attendance. These have been taught by a sufficient number of Professors and teachers, most of whom have proved their efficiency by long experience and good success. General good health has prevailed.

The success of the Institute under existing circumstances, gives the most gratifying evidence of the determination of our people to educate their daughters, and the prospects for extending its patronage were never more favorable.

To provide for this increase and to promote it, enlarged facilities will be needed. These ought to be promptly furnished, and also judicious steps taken for the liquidation of its debts.

Your Committee are of opinion that these objects can be accomplished with but little sacrifice, if all our churches can be induced to aid in the work. The

contributions to this enterprise heretofore, have been made by comparatively a few brethren. The great body of our members have given nothing. In order to secure united effort and to give all the privilege of contributing to the Institute, we propose the resumption of the plan inaugurated by Elder Q. H. Trotman, at the last meeting of this body that he had the privilege of attending, which is as follows: "*Resolved*, That we adopt the Institute as a regular object of contribution, and earnestly request each of the churches composing this Association, to take up a contribution annually for this object, and send up to this body by their delegates until the Institute shall have been furnished with all necessary facilities and buildings.

"*Resolved*, That we, the ministers of the gospel in this Association, pledge ourselves to use our influence and efforts with the churches to which we preach, to carry the above resolution into effect." Signed by Q. H. Trotman, W. W. Kone, Evan Forbes, B. B. Williams, D. V. Etheridge, Thomas Pitman, James Delk, R. R. Overby, J. D. Elwell, T. J. Knapp, W. D. Pritchard, A. McDowell and J. B. Webb.

Your Committee would also recommend the adoption of the following, viz: *Resolved*, That we earnestly solicit the co-operation of our brethren of the Portsmouth Association, in our efforts to sustain and promote the Chowan Female Collegiate Institute. Respectfully submitted.

JOHN MITCHELL,
A. J. ASKEW.

In obedience to first resolution, the following ministers pledged themselves to collect annually for the Institution until all its debts are paid, being all the ordained ministers present, viz: T. W. Babb, W. Briggs, D. V. Etheridge, W. L. Fitcher. E. Forbes, R. B. Jones, W. Leary, J. P. Lee, J. M. C. Luke, John Mitchell, T. J. Knapp, J. H. Phillips, A. McDowell, R. R. Overby, R. R. Savage, H. Speight, J. B. Webb, B. B. Williams and Ephraim Bunch.

Our delegates to Portsmouth Association were instructed to request our brethren in that Association to co-operate vigorously in support of the Institute.

Committee on Periodicals reported. Report received and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

We state with pleasure that the BIBLICAL RECORDER, for more than thirty years the organ of the Baptists of North Carolina, has been revived after a brief suspension. The successful prosecution of all our benevolent enterprises and the spread of our principles in the State depend in no small degree on the continued publication and extensive circulation of the RECORDER. Your Committee would therefore suggest that every pastor and every church member in the Association do what he can to procure subscribers for it now and during the year.

Respectfully submitted, S. J. WHEELER, Ch'm'n.

Brethren Askew, Felton, Savage and Overby were

appointed a Committee to circulate cards for subscription for *Biblical Recorder*.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported. Report received and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Your Committee are happy to announce that the exercises of this institution have been resumed. We learn from a circular, that the University system has been introduced, which allows the selection of one of three courses, in order to graduation. Those not wishing to graduate, can select partial courses, in any of the departments.

There is also an Academic department under the supervision of the Faculty. There are fifty students in attendance the present session.

Wake Forest College offers to us peculiar advantages. The special regard which has always been paid to the moral training of its pupils, is one of its highest commendations. We owe it to ourselves, our children and the College, to patronize it liberally. To educate our children, is the safest, surest, and best investment we can make for them.

R. B. JONES, Ch'm'n.

Committee on Reynoldson Institute reported. Report received and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REYNOLDSON INSTITUTE.

Your Committee on the Reynoldson Institute beg leave to make the following report. Since the last Association, its exercises have been resumed. Brother Taylor, soon after he returned from the war, assumed his former position and continues to the present. Brother Bailey has since come to his assistance and become co-principal with him. They are using their best exertions to make the school just what every Baptist and friend to education ought to want it to be. As the result of their labors, they now have thirty entered pupils. Its indebtedness, your committee are unable to ascertain. We recommend our friends to send their sons to the Institute.

Respectfully submitted, HENRY SPEIGHT, Ch'm'n.

The following resolution was adopted,

Resolved, That we continue to extend our patronage and pecuniary support to sustain Reynoldson Institute, and that our thanks are due and are hereby tendered brethren Bailey and Taylor for their labors at the Institution.

Association adjourned. Prayer by Elder Phillips.

Elder Phillips preached in the grove at 11 A. M. Elder Deans at 3 P. M. Elder Fitcher preached in the church at 7 1-2 P. M. Elder Luke at the same hour at Centre Hill.

THURSDAY, May 17, 1866.

Association met. Prayer by Elder Mitchell.

In order that our minutes may exhibit the amount contributed by our body to the Master's cause, for the information mainly of those beyond our bonds,

Resolved, That the churches be requested to insert in their annual letters the amounts contributed by them during the year, and the clerk be instructed to insert the same in tabular form in our minutes.

Committtee on N. C. Baptist State Convention reported. Report adopted and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BAPTITST STATE CONVENTION.

Your Committee are gratified to report that all the Boards of the Convention are in successful operation. Under God these Boards, through their indefatigable secretaries, have accomplished wonders since the close of the war. Without money, and in a country devastated and impoverished by war, they commenced their labors, and nobly have they succeeded. Already they have made many a desert to rejoice and blossom as the rose, an earnest of what they can and will do when Zion shall awake and *put on* her strength. Our brethren were cast down but not destroyed, were faint yet pursued. Your Committee are encouraged to hope from the signs of the times, that there is in our churches an increased spirituality. If increased consecration to God is to be, and we earnestly pray that it may, the result of our sufferings, we can thank God that we suffered, and regard it as the happiest period in our history. The Boards of the Convention are four, viz: State Missions, Foreign Missions, Education and Sunday School and Publication, all of which are indispensable and doing a great and good work, but not a tithe of what ought to be done, and what they could do, if the means were at their disposal. Through the agent of the Convention, the BIBLICAL RECORDER, we hear the Macedonian cry every week, and what *steward* of the Lord can be indifferent? From every part of our beloved State the cry is heard, and the Secretary pleads for help, and weeps and prays over the destitution.

The Board of State Missions has under its appointment six missionaries at different points in the State, but this by no means supplies the destitution. The Education Board has three beneficiaries, and others anxious to be admitted, but the Board can do no more, for the want of means. These brethren ought to be educated. O, that the brethren would say that it *shall be.* In the work of Foreign Missions everything is promising. God has greatly blessed the labors of our devoted brethren, and opened a wider field of labor. They plead for men.

Now as never before we need a pure literature, especially a Sunday School literature; but for the want of money the work is retarded. Your Committee are satisfied that a much larger amount can be raised for the Lord in all our

poverty than we have ever raised. We need a system that will reach every member in all our churches, and a will to carry it out and success is certain. Let us resolve, therefore,

1st. That we adopt in our churches a system of benevolence by which every member can be reached.

2nd. That the several Union meetings of this Association be requested to form such plan of co-operation with the Board of State missions as shall tend to promote the great work of spreading the gospel throughout the State, and further that they make an annual report of their operations to this body.

R. R. SAVAGE, Ch'm'n.

Elder Walters was requested to preach the Conventional sermon in the absence of the brother appointed to that service.

The contribution after Conventional sermon was ordered to be appropriated to the cause of State Missions.

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to have printed blank forms for the use of the churches in order to secure a uniform statement of the contributions made to the various objects of benevolence.

Committee on state of religion reported. Report adopted and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF RELIGION.

In many respects we have reason to be encouraged. Notwithstanding the great trials through which we have been called to pass, we still have our church organization intact. A spirit of harmony and brotherly love prevails, and we are making *some little* progress in divine things. Yet it is to be lamented that we are doing *so little*. We need more zeal for the cause—more fervency of spirit and consecration to our Master. With a field comprising 60,000 souls we have only been able to gather into the church about 650 souls during the past year. The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few. Only fourteen churches of the whole Association have preaching more than one Sabbath in a month, and hence the field is not well cultivated. We would recommend to our churches a more liberal support of the gospel in their midst, and that we pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers in his vineyard.

R. R. SAVAGE, Ch'm'n.

Committee on the relation of the colored membere to our churches reported. Report received and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COLORED MEMBERS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the relations of the colored members of our churches, recommend that those who choose to retain their

membership in our churches be permitted to do so with the same status as heretofore, and that those who may wish to join us, be received on the same terms. To those who wish to withdraw in order to form churches of their own, we advise our churches to grant letters of dismission and to give them sympathy and assistance so far as practicable in organizing regular churches for themselves.

A. McDOWELL,
R. R. OVERBY,
JOHN MITCHELL.

The Committee stated that a letter had been received from L. W. Boon, a colored minister representing colored Baptists on Roanoke Island, in response to which it was

Resolved, That we approve the formation of churches of their own within our bounds, and we assure them of our cordial sympathy and hearty co-operation so long as they adhere to gospel order, as understood and practised among ourselves. We also approve the appointment of brother L. W. Boon as an evangelist.

Elder J. P. Lee, who was appointed evangelist at our last Association made a verbal report of his labors. Elder L. was requested to write out his report for publication. $24 were then contributed for his benefit.

Elders Phillips and Lee, and brother Joshua Fleetwood were appointed a committee to report on Foreign Missions this afternoon.

It was decided that our next session be held with the church at Ahoskie, to commence on Tuesday before 3rd Lord's day in May, 1867. Elder Overby to preach the Introductory sermon, Elder Phillips the alternate; Elder Savage to preach the Conventional sermon, Elder Williams the alternate.

Elders Knapp and J. N. Hoggard were appointed a committee to solicit subscriptions for the erection of a monument over the grave of our lamented and beloved brother. Q. H. Trotman.

Committee on finance made the following report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Amount in treasury, in specie,		$ 12 60
" bank bills, worth,		45 00
" Confederate bills, worthless, 1,563 25		0,000 00
		$ 57 60
Amount of contributions sent from churches,	$ 131 46	
" " in the Association,	16 00	
		147 46
		$ 205 06
CONTRA.		
Cash paid J. D. Hufham for printing Minutes of '65,	$ 70 00	
" for transcribing same,	25 00	
" Jno. Mitchell for transcribing minutes of '63	25 00	
" N. B. Cobb, in Confederate bills, 1,563 25	0,000 00	
		$ 120 00
		$ 84 06
Rec'd for N. C. Bap. Convention from ch. at Sandy Run,	$ 32 25	
" " " " Buck Horn,	21 27	
" " " " Pleasant Grove,	10 00	
		$ 63 52
Balance in Treasury,		$ 147 58

Also $27 08 from Church at Murfreesboro' which was not paid the committee, but handed to Elder Walters, Corresponding Secretary.

JET R. DARDEN, Ch'm'n.

The following Committees were announced to report before next Association, viz:

On Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.—R. B. Jones, Wm. Felton, and W. M. Fleetwood.

On Temperance.—T. W. Babb, Speight and Mathews.

On Periodicals.—Luke, A. J. Askew, and W. W. Mitchell.

On Wake Forest College.—Jno. Mitchell, Julian G. Moore, and W. J. Freeman.

On Reynoldson Institute.—Fitcher, J. P. Lee, and E. Howell.

On N. C. Baptist State Convention.—McDowell, W. Carey Parker, and Jet R. Darden.

On Sunday Schools.—Overby, E. Ferrebee, and M. Sanderlin.

On State of Religion.—Jno. P. Lee, E. Forbes, and R. B. Jones.

The following were appointed delegates to corresponding bodies, viz:

To. N. C. Baptist State Convention.—All our ordained ministers and brethren who may attend.

To Pamlico Association.—Elders Fitcher, Bunch and Mitchell.

To Portsmouth Association.—Elders McDowell, Luke, Savage and brother Joseph E. Warren.

To Union Association.—Elders Rochelle, Craig and Jones.

Association then took a recess, after which Elder Walters preached Conventional Sermon; the collection of $64,00 was handed to the Corresponding Secretary.

The Clerk was instructed to write brother L. W. Boon (colored minister) inclosing copy of the resolutions responsive to his communication.

Brother Wm. Manning was appointed to write biographical sketch of the late Elder B. Nixon.

Brother A. J. Askew, was appointed to write biographical sketch of the late Elder Henry White.

Ordered that 2,000 copies of these minutes be printed and distributed as usual.

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the members of this church and friends in the vicinity for the generous hospitality with which we have been entertained.

In consequence of the inclemency of the weather there were no services in the grove to-day.

On motion, Association adjourned. Prayer and praise by Elder Webb.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

S. J. WHEELER, Clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee are pleased to report an increased interest in this important department of christian labor, as indicated by the letters from the churches. Twenty-six schools are reported with 229 teachers and 1,336 scholars. Several other schools, whose statistics are not reported, are known to be in successful operation. This is a large increase over the number reported last year, and therefore it affords ground of encouragement. But the number of churches which make no mention of Sabbath Schools assure us that many of our breth-

ren do not fully realize their obligations to encourage and promote this truly beneficent institution. As a means of increasing the efficiency of the schools already established and of increasing the establishment of others, we recommend that pastors meet with the schools in connection with their churches, as often as possible; that a systematic plan be adopted by all the schools for procuring and constantly increasing their libraries, and that they at once subscribe for "Kind Words," an excellent little Sunday School paper published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, at the very low price of $1 00 for ten copies. We are happy to state that the Sunday School Board of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, is now prepared to supply Sunday School books of almost any kind and in any quantity.

For books, address Rev. G. W. Hufham, Raleigh, N. C.

For "Kind Words," address G. G. Wells, Greenville, S. C.

Respectfully submitted, A. McDOWELL, Ch'm'n.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

Elder E. Hancock was born in Southampton county, Va., on the 27th of August, 1807. On the 31st of December, 1832, he was married to Elizabeth C. Williams, and soon after removed to Bertie co., N. C., thence to Vine Hill, Halifax co., where he remainnd four years and returned to Bertie, in which county he lived the remainder of his days. On the 4th Lord's day in June, 1843, he was received into the fellowship of the Baptist Church at Sandy Run, baptized by Elder A. M. Craig.

Soon after his reception into the church, he began to doubt the reality of his conversion and, not supporting the christian character, at his own solicitation he was excluded from the fellowship of the church.

In March, 1845, his wife died, and on the 20th Januray, 1846, he was married to Miss Mary P. Garrett. Saturday before the 4th Lord's day in Oct. 1847, he again came before the church, confessing his sins, and asked to be restored, and giving satisfactory evidence of penitence and faith he was again received in full fellowship and became a zealous and efficient member of the church. Soon after his restoration he began to exercise publicly in prayer and exhortation, with the approbation of the church, and in May, 1852, he was sent up by his church to the Chowan Association, held with the church at Piney Grove, for ordination.

His examination, which was conducted by Elder James Delk in the presence of the Association, being entirely satisfactory, he was solemnly set apart to the work of the gospel ministry by prayer and the imposition of hands by the presbytery, composed of Elders Q. H. Trotman, John Nowell and William P. Britton.

For some time Elder Hancock supplied the church at Sandy Run, in the absence of the pastor, Elder Craig, and for one year had also a regular appointment at the church on the second Sunday in each month; and in Oct., 1862, was called to the pastorate of the church, which call he accepted, and continued to serve the church as pastor until disabled by feeble health. He labored with constantly increasing zeal and earnestness for the church, preaching also in the neighborhood, and holding prayer meetings in which it is believed much good was accomplished—

> "And as he drew near to finish his race,
> Like a fine setting sun he looked richer in grace,
> And gave a sure hope at the end of his days
> Of rising in brighter array."

He departed this life on the 9th of April, 1865.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excommunicated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie,	J. M. C. LUKE, Wm. Askew, A. J. Askew.	30	1	10	8	17	9	350	115	465	$ 2 50
Bal'ard's Bridge,	D. V. ETHERIDGE, R. D. Simpson, Joel Forehand.	60	2	2	6	6	23	438	128	566	8 00
Berea,	Miles Whitehurst*, Henry Halstead, Spencer Wood	35	12		4	8	12	163	13	176	3 00
Bethel,	Wm. Felton, W. Myers, W. M. Fleetwood	47	2	1	6	4	6	289	25	314	4 00
Bethlehem,	A. J. Cobb, A. Bass, jr., Abram Thomas	2	4	1	4	18	9	189	40	229	5 00
Buckhorn,	R. R. SAVAGE, Richard T. Barnes, Joseph E. Warren	14				1	1	104	46	150	3 00
Capeheart's,	J. N. HOGGARD* Isaac Smith, Jos. A. Hughes	37	5			4	15	349	175	524	5 00
Cashie,	No delegate and letter. Report as last year.							183	266	449	
Coleraine,	Wm. Nowell, J. D. Brett, J. L. Morriss	15	7		4	4		317	121	438	5 00
Connaritsa,	J. L. BURDEN*, A. J. Dunning*, John G. Fraime*,		1		2	2	4	220	50	270	2 40
Cool Spring,	Henry Carter, James Carter*, Henry Carter						7	142	8	150	2 00
Corinth,	Lemuel Ward*, Jas. P. Lassiter, Mathew Brewer,*	19		1	8	2	3	137	34	171	3 25
Ebenezer,	C. G. Spence, J. N. Overton,* M. J. Overton	15	3		25	4	1	90		90	2 00
Edenton,	JNO. H. PHILLIPS, J. H. Garrett, Richard Woodard		4		3	3	3	70	132	202	3 40
Elim,	R. C. Coker,* Wm. Y. Kee,* J. Stephenson	4	1			1	1	57	37	94	1 50
Elizabeth City,	R. R. OVERBY, Elisha Harris, Maxey Sanderlin	55	4	7	14	1	4	376		376	4 00
Gatia,	J. C. Fleetwood, Jas. A. Coggins, E. Lewter	18			1	1		84	11	95	1 00
Gatesville,	T. E. Cross,* H. Hoffler, George Parker	5		1		3		39	25	64	1 50
Great Fork,	Simon Savage, R. F. Harrell, W. W. Knight	16	4		1	23	1	166	22	188	3 00
Hamilton,	No letter nor delegates. Reported as last year							23		23	
Hebron,	Jos. D. Gatling,* Jas. C. Liverman,* J. M. Outland	29			6	2		68	16	84	1 50
Hertford,	R. B. JONES, J. M. Newbold, J. M. Skinner	1	2	1	2		1	55	32	87	1 55
Holly Grove	W. J. Freeman, JOHN MITCHELL, J. W. Mitchell		3		2	3	4	71	46	117	2 00

Macedonia,	P. F. White, Joseph Copeland, W. H. Bonner,*				2	2	3	77	3	80	1	00
Mars Hill,	B. B. WILLIAMS, L. Evans, G. G. Morriss		3					84	2	86	1	50
Meherrin,	S. J. Wheeler, J. P. LEE, W. H. Parker,*		3		1	4	3	237	113	350	3	00
Middle Swamp,	Wiley Riddick, W. E. Mathews, C. W. Williams	4	1	1			2	105	64	169	2	00
Mt. Carmel,	J. J. ROCHELLE,* W. J. Taylor, L. B. Stephenson	30	1	1	7	6	4	206	104	310	4	00
Mt. Tabor,	W. C. Parker, B. F. Parker, J. P. Jordan		3	3	10	4	4	177	51	228	4	00
Murfreesboro',	A. MCDOWELL, Jet R. Darden, L. T. Spiers*			1	1			35	2	37	2	50
New Hope,	H. SPEIGHT, S. Rountree	14		2					15	15	2	00
Piney Grove,	WM. L. FITCHER, J. M. Taylor,* T. W. BABB	20				1	1	83	52	135	2	36
Pleasant Grove,	G. C. Moore, J. G. Moore, W. S. Tayloe,*	17	12		3	2	4	80	35	115	5	00
Pleasant Plains,	THOMAS HOGGARD,* Jos. A. Mizzles	12		8		3	3		201	201	4	00
Potecasi,	No letter nor delegates							188	58	246		
Powell's Point,	Hiram Gregory,* Thomas Woodhouse*				1		1	26		26	1	00
Providence,	Caleb Bell, Jos. Morgan.* E. Simmons									93	2	00
Ramoth Gilead,	A mond Spence, F. F. Jones, J. R. Etheridge	9					26	75	63	138	2	00
Republican,	J. Bunch,* Ca vin Pritchard,* W. G. Burden*	7			1	4	4	194	89	283	2	00
Roanoke Island,	A. TWINE,* George Wescott,* Willie Tillett*	2				56	20	33		33	1	00
Roberts' Chapel,	No letter nor delegates. Reported as last year.							178	71	249		
Rocky Hock,	JNO. B. WEBB, Robert R. Felton, Thomas Cochran	2	2	1	4	2	2	204	9	213	3	00
Ross' Church,	Whitmel Hughes, Simon Hughes,* John L. Percy	18		1	5	6	14	314	52	366	2	00
Salem,	John Nichols, Wm. Roberts,* A. Hollowell	16	2	1	6		3	81	19	100	1	50
Sandy Cross,	W. B. Riddick, Ca vin R. Brinkley, W. H. Manning	4	3	1	13	16	8	216	41	257	4	00
Sandy Run,	Wm. H. Lee,* Wm. H. Powell, John C. Tynes*	23	1			2	2	166	45	211	5	00
Sawyer's Creek,	EVAN FORBES, W. B. Ferrebee, Joseph C. Ferrebee	59	3	3	24	18	4	362	42	404	5	00
Shady Grove,	Dorsey Sanderlin, B. C. Walker, John B. Umphries*				3	16	5	84		84		
Shiloh,	WELLS BRIGGS, Thomas Palmer,* Enoch Dailey*	10	3	3	1	14	2	248		248		
Warwick,	E. Bunch, M. W. White, H. H. Hobbs	63						126		126	2	00
Whiteville Grove,	W. C. Simpson, Daniel Roberts, G. W. Simpson	6	2		2	2	5	141	9	150	2	00
White Oak,	No letter, nor delegates. Reported as before	5						44	53	97		
Yoppim,	*Horatio Bass, Thos. J. Leary*, Jos. T. Waff		9	2			4	136	27	163	3	00
53 churches.	*Absent. Ordained ministers in SMALL CAPS. Licentiates in *italics*.	723	100	52	160	265	228	788	2562	10525	$ 149	21

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION

1 T. W. Babb, Gatesville,
2 Wells Briggs, Elizabeth City.
3 S. Bazemore, Windsor.
4 J. Bunch, Windsor.
5 A. M. Craig, Windsor.
6 D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge.
7 W. L. Fitcher, Reynoldson.
8 Evan Forbes, Camden C. H.
9 D. Harrell, Windsor.
10 Thos. Hoggard, Pitch Landing.
11 J. N. Hoggard, Murfreesboro'.
12 Edward Howard, Reynoldson,
13 R. B. Jones, Hertford.
14 T. Judson Knapp, Edenton.
15 W. Leary, Edenton.
16 J. P. Lee, Murfreesboro'.
17 J. M. C. Luke, Harrellsville.
18 John Mitchell, Pitch Landing.
19 M. L. Mizzell, Windsor.
20 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro.
21 R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City.
22 J. H. Phillips, Edenton.
23 Ed Price, Merry Hill.
24 Thomas Pitman Murfreesboro'.
25 J. J. Rochelle, Jackson.
36 Dossey Sander in, Camden C. H.
27 R. R. Savage, Murfreeesboro',
28 Henry Speight, Gatesville.
29 J. D. Stokely, Gatesville.
30 A. Twine, Powell's Point.
31 J. B. Webb, Edenton.
32 B. B. Williams, Coleraine.
33 B. F. King, Windsor.
34 H. T. White, St. John's.
35 S. W. Worrell, Baltimore.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton.
2 Joseph Berry, Powell's Point.
3 Ephraim Bunch, Mintonsville.
4 W. H. Bunch, Windsor.
5 Willie Dunning, Roxobell,
6 Joshua Fleetwood, Margarettsville.
7 Gideon Herring, Camden C. H.
8 J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury.
9 G. V. Hoskins, Elizabeth City.
10 A. Hollowell, Elizabeth City.
11 T. J. Leary, Edenton.
12 Ira Odam, Pitch Landing.
13 Isaac Outland, Potecasi.
14 Abram Pruden, Gatesville.
15 D. J. Roberts, Newby's Bridge.
16 Exom Stephenson, Jackson.

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND DAYS OF SERVICE.

J. M. C. Luke, Ahoskie, 4th Sabbath; Bethlehem, 2nd; Corinth 3rd.
D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge, 2nd Sabbath.
J. D. Stokely, Berea, 2nd Sabbath; Ramoth Gilead, 4th.
R. B. Jones, Bethel, 1st and 3rd Sabbaths; Hertford, 4th.
R. R. Savage, Buckhorn, 2d and 4th Sabbaths; Mt. Tabor, 1st and 3rd.
T. Hoggard, Capeheart's, 2d Sabbath; Connaritsa, 3rd, Pleasant Plains, 1st; Ross', 4th.
A. M. Craig, Cashie, 1st and 3d Sabbaths.
John Mitchell, Coleraine, 3rd Sabbath; Holly Grove, 1st; Pleasant Grove, 2nd; Sandy Run, 4th.
H. Speight, Cool Spring, 1st Sabbath; New Hope, 3rd; Middle Swamp, 2d.
W. L. Fitcher, Ebenezer, 3rd Sabbath; Galatia, 2nd.
J. H. Phillips, Edenton, every Sabbath.
T. W. Babb, Elim, 2nd Sabbath; Gatesville 1st.
R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City, 1st and 3rd Sabbaths; Sawyer's Creek 2d, 4th.
E. Pearce, Hebron, 4th Sabbath.
W. Leary, Macedonia, 3rd Sabbath; Whiteville Grove, 1st.
J. P. Lee, Mars Hill, 1st and 2nd Sabbaths.
J. N. Hoggard, Meherrin, 1st Sabbath; Mt. Carmel, 4th; Potecasi, 2nd; Roberts' Chapel, 3rd.
A. McDowell, Murfreesboro' every Sabbath.
Ed. Howell, Piney Grove, 2nd and 4th Sabbaths.
E. Forbes, Powel 's Point, 4th Sabbath; Providence, 3rd.
J. Bunch, Republican, 2nd Sabbath.
A. Twine, Roanoke Island, 2nd Sabbath.
J. B. Webb, Rock Hock, 1st Sabbath; Sandy Cross, 3rd; Yoppim, 2nd and 4th.
D. Sanderlin, Shady Grove, 4th Sabbath.
W. Briggs, Shiloh, 1st and 3rd Sabbaths.
E. Bunch, Warwick, 3rd Sabbath.

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PROCEEDINGS.

CHURCH AT AHOSKIE,
Tuesday, May 14th, 1867.

The Chowan Baptist Association met in its 61st annual session with the church at Ahoskie, on Tuesday, May 14th, 1867.

Introductory sermon was preached by Elder R. R. Overby, from Exodus xiv: 15, "And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

After an interval of forty minutes, delegates were called together by the moderator. Elder W. Leary led in the opening prayer.

Brethren John Vann, A. J. Cobb and N. L. Shaw sat as Committee on finance.

Elders Phillips and Leary as Committee on statistics of benevolence.

Letters from the churches were then called for, and read. The roll being completed, it was called, and the Association proceeded to organization.

Brother G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Brethren Wm. Carey Parker and Aug. Bass were appointed assistant clerks.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, the following were recognized, viz: Brother F. P. McGee, agent of the Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention, brother S. S. Wallace, agent of Foreign Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention, and Elder R. B. Jones, agent of Trustees of Wake Forest College.

Pastor and deacons of this church were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Committee on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute reported. After remarks from Elders Jones and McDowell and the Moderator, its further consideration was postponed until to-morrow morning.

Association adjourned until 9 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow. Prayer by Elder E. Forbes.

WEDNESDAY, May 15th, 1867.

Prayer meeting was held at 8 1-2 o'clock, A. M.

Association met at 9 o'clock, A. M. Prayer by Elder W. M. Wingate.

Roll was called.

Elder W. M. Wingate was welcomed as corresponding delegate from Central Association, Elder W. T. Walters, Corresponding Secretary of Board of State Missions of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, and brother T. M. Hughes of the BIBLICAL RECORDER.

A letter from a colored minister, L. W. Boone, was handed in; it was referred to a Committee consisting of Elder McDowell and brethren Manning and Ferebee, to prepare an answer.

The report on Chowan Female Collegiate Institute was then taken up, and after an interesting discussion, was adopted, and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHOWAN FEMALE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

The changes which have been wrought in society during the past few years, have, to us at least, greatly increased the importance of education. This is apparent to the most casual observer; and it is a source of encouragement and gratitude to God that our people recognize the demands upon them in this direction, and are making com-

mendable efforts to meet them. Especially is this so in the department of female education. We have to day more female schools than ever before, each sharing a liberal amount of patronage.

Our own beloved Institute, under the efficient supervision of Elder McDowell, is in a very prosperous condition. There have been one hundred and two matriculates during the scholastic year, of whom ninety are in attendance now. Every department is filled with competent teachers, and no labor or expense is spared which can give thoroughness to the instruction imparted, or make the school meet the demands of the times. We are gratified to announce, that recently a very encouraging work of grace has been going on in the School, and a goodly number profess to have found peace in believing; thus are their literary attainments sanctified, and rendered subservient to the promotion of God's glory.

Your Committee would especially invite the attention of this body to the financial condition of the Institute, as one of prime importance. At the annual meeting of the Board in July last, it was ascertained that the entire indebtedness would approximate twenty-five thousand dollars. The Board, after mature deliberation, came to the conclusion that the plan proposed by this Association at its last session, was utterly inadequate to meet the demands upon them, as they were given to understand that the collection of some of these claims would be forced as soon as circumstances would allow. It became necessary that the Board should take some immediate action in the matter, and they appointed a committee to confer with the creditors, to ascertain whether or not the debts could be scaled. At a subsequent meeting, this committee reported that the debts could be compromised by paying fifty cents on the dollar. The alternatives presented to you are either to raise the amount necessary to liquidate the debt, or the Trustees must sell the property. We think, in view of all the circumstances, that a number of brethren should form a joint stock company which would assume the liabilities of the Institute, and that the Trustees should sell the property to them. The debt on the Institute, scaled fifty per cent., brings the property within the range of valuable stock, provided the stockholders make it meet the demands of the times, which their own interest will prompt them to do. We hope such a company will be formed at this meeting of the body, and the transfer made as soon as circumstances will permit, and that the Institute may open its next session under new auspices, unfettered by financial difficulties.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. JONES, Ch'm'n.

Resolved, That we approve the recommendation of trustees the of Chowan Female Collegiate Institute, proposing to sell the real and personal property belonging to the Institute, to a company of stockholders, provided said property shall be held and used still for educational purposes under the supervision of this body, and the property to be restored to the Association, whenever the money advanced for purchase and improvements by the stockholders, shall be repaid by this Association.

Committee on Wake Forest College reported. Consideration of the report was postponed. Association took a recess of one hour.

On reassembling, the discussion of the report on Wake Forest College was resumed. Report was received, committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Your Committee on Wake Forest College beg leave to submit the following :

While this Institution, in common with all others of a similar character, is suffering a diminished patronage from the depressed condition of the country, yet it has enjoyed a reasonable measure of success, and is still prosecuting its appropriate work, while many other schools have been compelled, under the pressure of present circumstances, temporarily to suspend.

The faculty of the College, upon whom its efficiency mainly depend, is composed entirely of Southern men of Southern education, and with one or two exceptions, graduates of the Institution. These are circumstances that should tend to assure the public of their devotion to the interest of the College, and their fitness for the position they occupy.

The work accomplished by the College affords the best evidence of its utility to the denomination and of the efficiency with which it is conducted. Upon reference to a Catalogue of the Alumni of the College, if we mistake not, one-third are ministers of the Gospel, who in this, or other States are successfully preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ. Many others are influential laymen in our churches, and are rapidly rising to distinction in the pursuits to which they have devoted themselves.

We have but to look around in the Chowan Association to see the work of this College. Who are among our most efficient pastors ?

Whom have we selected as principals to our schools? Graduates of Wake Forest College, christians and scholars of whom this Association is proud.

These facts constitute the highest eulogy that could be pronounced on the College, and they effectually refute, in regard to this College, the declaration often made in regard to Colleges in general, that they are nurseries of idleness, extravagance and dissipation rather than of sound learning.

Wake Forest College is believed to be eminently worthy of patronage, and this Association having contributed largely to its creation and endowment, ought now to sustain it by an undivided support.

Respectfully submitted, JULIEN G. MOORE, Ch'm'n.

Resolved, That we approve the change proposed in vacations at Wake Forest College, so as to have one annual term and one vacation of three months.

QUERY.—Does a presbytery for the ordination of a candidate for the ministry consist of one Elder, or Bishop, or of more than one?

QUERY.—Is the ordination of a candidate set apart for the ministry by his church, attempted to be consumated by one Elder or bishop, styling himself a presbytery, such an ordination as would, according to the Scriptures and Baptist usage, qualify the individual to celebrate the ordinances of the church, and solemnize the rites of matrimony?

ANSWER.—The ordination of a candidate for the ministry can be consummated only by a presbytery, consisting of two or more Elders called by the church of which the candidate is a member.

QUERY.—What ought a church do with a member, who having the ability, refuses to give any thing to defray the expences of the church.

ANSWER.—Such members should be ex-communicated.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Amount in Treasury,		$ 84 06
Present contributions,		137 70
		$ 221 76
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Paid for printing Minutes of 1866,	$ 75 00	
" " transcribing " " "	25 00	
		$ 100 00
Balance in Treasury,		$ 121 76

Six dollars were paid after report was submitted.

JOHN VANN, Ch'm'n.

Committee on Reynoldson Institute reported. Its discussion was deferred until to-morrow.

Committee on erecting a monument to the memory f the late Elder Q. H. Trotman reported verbally: the report was received and the committee continued and the following brethren added to the committee: Overby and J T. Waff.

Committee on North Carolina Baptist State Convention were requested to present their report at 10 1-2 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

Elder Knapp was appointed to prepare a biographical sketch of the late Elder John B. Webb.

Elder John Mitchell was appointed to prepare a sketch of the late Elder Stephen Bazemore .

QUERY: When a church refuses to hear a minority, or accord it an opportunity to set forth its grievances, what is the duty of said minority?

ANSWER: The minority so aggrieved has the liberty to call on the Association for the appointment of discreet Elders, before whom the difficulties may be laid.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 9 1-2 o'clock, A. M. Prayer by Elder Leary.

THURSDAY, May 16th, 1867.

Association met at 9 o'clock, A. M. Prayer by Elder Speight

Report on Reynoldson Institute was then taken up. Report received and Committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REYNOLDSON INSTITUTE.

Your committee report but little change in the condition of this Institution since your last session. Rev. C. T. Bailey of Va., associate principal, because of the small number of students in attendance last year, has gone, and Rev. J. M. Taylor is now alone, teaching between thirty and forty pupils. In view of the tangled condition of its financial affairs, your committee are unable to report anything satisfactory in regard to this matter. They can only say that the Institute is considerably in debt, and that nothing has been done since your last meeting towards paying it. Nothing is wanting in the efficiency of brother Taylor as a teacher—his praise as such is in all the Association and beyond—but the building which is large enough to accommodate over a hundred students conveniently, is wasting and becoming less valuable every year, and nothing is being done to render the place attractive, and, in consequence of these last named facts, unless there is some change for the better, the Institute will soon be worthless. Your committee think it is time the Association should take some decided step in regard to this School, and would suggest the propriety of selling it into private hands or of adopting some plan by which its condition may be speedily improved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. FITCHER, Chm'n.

The Committee on Temperance reported. Report received and Committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on temperance beg leave to submit the following.

At the close of the war, through which we have just passed, intemperance like an overrushing tide was sweeping sobriety, morality, and religion before it. And the various temperance societies, that for fifty years, had in some measure stayed this river of fire, which in its onrolling course was destroying the vital air, and spreading every where

the atmosphere of death, became disorganized and powerless; especially in the Southern States did all the temperance societies cease to exist; with the decline of these temperance organizations, inebriety became the crying sin of the land. Everywhere was seen the distorted countenance, blasted hopes, and withering fortunes of the devotee of Bacchus.

At this critical moment there remained however a few noble spirits, who would not yield to the corruption of the times. They determined to remain firm in the cause of justice and humanity, and to embrace the first opportunity of rallying the scattered forces and renewing the attack upon the use of intoxicating drink. This opportunity was offered on the twenty-ninth of Nov., 1865, when the friends of temperance commenced their existence as an independent organization. The success of this Society has passed the most sanguine expectation of its friends and is now exerting an influence for good unequaled by any order of the day. Added to the influence of this newly organized temperance effort, is the present high tax upon the distilling of ardent spirits, which materially reduces the quantity in the market and places it beyond the reach of the poorer class. Thus a favorable opportunity presents itself for the united effort of every christian in crushing this more than Lernaean Hydra. And shall Baptists be wanting in their efforts to stay the monster that has blasted their fondest hopes and laid waste the fairest fields of Zion? Arise, brethren, in the majesty of your strength, in the name of Emanuel. God with us, go forward, concentrate your force, and by united effort help to people the regions of perfect glory by contributing to banish from your hearth-stones, and your church this arch fiend, Intemperance All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. W. BABB, }
H. SPEIGHT, } Committee.

At request of an aggrieved minority of the church at Bethel, Elders Overby, Forbes, N. B. Cobb, J. H. Phillips, W. Leary, B. B. Williams and John Mitchell, and brethren J. T. Waff, D. P. Daughtry, W. H. Manning, Mark Gregory, Wilson Ferebee and Jno. H. Garrett, were appointed to aid the church in the settlement of their difficulties.

Committee on statistics of benevolence reported. Report received and Committee discharged. (See statistical table.)

Committee on North Carolina Baptist State Convention reported. Report received and Committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTE ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The committee on the N. C. Baptist State Convention, beg leave to report:

That the Convention has been able to resume operations in all the departments of christian labor, under circumstances which promise greater success than formerly, except that of Sabbath School and Publication Board, which has been temporarily suspended.

In the Department of Ministerial Education, we are glad to be able to state that our College is in successful operation and is now affording ample facilities for the education of all young men preparing for the ministry, and that six beneficiaries are now there prosecuting a course of study. Others are desiring admission, but can not now be received for want of funds. The amount received is not sufficient to sustain those already at the College. For the department of State Missions, while we are not able to report the amount of labor imperatively demanded by the exegencies of the times, yet the Board is prosecuting this important work with commendable zeal, and notwithstanding the deep poverty of the churches, more is now being done to supply the destitute of our own State with the gospel than was done in times apparently more prosperous. We learn from the Secretary of the Board that they now have fifteen missionaries devoting the whole or a part of their time to this work. While the destitution in our State has always been such as to awaken our warmest christian sympathies, recent developments of God's providence shows this department now to be of paramount importance, that the precious privilege of the gospel be extended to our whole people as speedily as possible.

We are glad to state that the liberal contributions made by our churches to the cause of Foreign Missions indicate no abatement of interest in this department of christian labor.

In conclusion, your committee earnestly recommend that each of our churches adopt a systematic method of contributing to each of these objects.

A. McDOWELL.

After an interesting discussion, a collection of $206 in pledges, and $102 cash was made, $308.

The following Committees were announced to report at our next session, viz:

Chowan Female Collegiate Institute, Jno. Mitchell, W. W. Mitchell and A. J. Askew.

Temperance, Luke, A. Thomas and M. Brown.

Periodicals, Jno. P. Lee, W. Carey Parker, A. M. Darden.

W. F. College, McDowell, L. T. Spires, J. R. Darden,

N. C. Baptist State Convention, Overby, W. B. Ferebee, Edwin Ferebee.

Sunday Schools, Philips, W. Felton, W. Fleetwood.

State of Religion, J. N. Hogwood, Evan Forbes, W. Leary.

Reynoldson Institute, Savage, Geo. A. Brett, J. W. Barnes.

The following were appointed delegates to corresponding bodies, viz:

To Portsmouth Association, Elders Luke, Phillips, and Babb.

To Pamlico Association, Elders Craig, Mitchell and McDowell.

To Union Association, Elders Savage, Overby, J. N. Hogwood.

To N. C. Baptist State Convention, Elders Knapp, Overby, Hogwood and Pierce.

Association then took a recess to hear Conventional sermon by Elder W. M. Wingate. At same hour Elder Phillips preached at the stand in the grove, the joint collection amounted to $37.

On re-assembling, the discussion on report on N. C. Baptist State Convention was resumed.

Resolved, That our next session be held with the church at Berea, on Tuesday before 3rd Lord's day in May, 1868; committee reported Elder B. B. Williams to preach the Introductory, Elder Luke as alternate. Elder N. B. Cobb to preach Conventional sermon, Elder Fitcher, alternate.

Committee on letter from Rev. L. W. Boon reported, report received, committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON L. W. BOONE'S LETTER.

Your Committee appointed to reply to the communication of L. W. Boone, requesting this Association to rescind a resolution passed at its session with the church at Mt. Tabor, advising the expulsion from our churches of servants, who had left their masters and gone over to those then in arms against us, are of opinion that there is no reason for rescinding a resolution which was, under the circumstances then existing, so clearly justified by the Scriptures.

Respectfully submitted,

A. McDOWELL,
W. H. MANNING,
W. D. FEREBEE,
} Committee.

Committee on Periodicals reported, report received, committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

DEAR BRETHREN.—We are glad to state that, in our opinion, the BIBLICAL RECORDER, edited by Rev. J. D. Hufham, of Raleigh, has, and does merit the most unqualified support of all lovers of truth. And, when we think of the power of the press, we know that the successful prosecution of our benevolent designs, the spread of truth and of Baptist principles, depend in no small degree upon the continual publication and extensive circulation of the *Recorder* as our champion of truth. And as a like courtesy has been extended the *Recorder* in the Portsmouth Association, of Virginia, we would recommend next to the *Recorder*, the *Religious Herald*, of Richmond, as a paper worthy of our support. Your Committee would therefore recommend, that each pastor and every church member in the Association, do what he can to extend first, the circulation of the *Recorder*, and next to it, the *Religious Herald*, as papers in every way worthy of our patronage.

Respectfully submitted, J. M. C. LUKE, Ch'm'n.

Cards were circulated for names of subscribers to BIBLICAL RECORDER.

Committee on Sunday Schools roported, report received, committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee are pleased to report a growing interest in this department of christian labor. There are reported, in the letters sent up to this body, thirty-four schools, three hundred and nineteen officers, and one thousand four hundred and five scholars. We feel encouraged, and hope that a brighter day is dawning on the Chowan Association. It is painful, however, to know that there are any of our churches satisfied to have no Sabbath School. As a field for usefulness, your Committee regard it as second only to the work of the ministry. It is a field in which every christian can work effectively for God. In the experience of your Committee, the great evil under which our churches labor at present, is a want of interest, on the part of our members, in the good work. Every church can, and ought to have, a Sabbath School, and every School can, and and ought, to double its present numbers. We most earnestly recommend to all our brethren that they engage heartily in this work, and can assure them from experience and careful observation, that it will bring them a blessed reward in this world. He who labors to make others happy, himself reaps a rich reward. God's seal of approbation is upon the Sunday School, as a very large majority of the conversions of the present day, are from among them.

R. R. OVERBY, Ch'm'n.

Committee on state of religion reported, report received, committee discharged, report was laid on the table.

Ordered that 2000 copies of these minutes be printed and distributed as usual.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

S. J. Wheeler, Clerk.

LIST OF ELDERS OR BISHOPS IN THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

1 T. W. Babb, Gatesville,
2 Wells Briggs, Elizabeth City,
3 Jermiah Bunch, Windsor,
4 A. M. Craig, Windsor,
5 D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge,
6 W. L Fitcher, Camden C. H.,
7 Evan Forbes, Camden C. H.,
8 D. Harrell, Windsor,
9 Thos. Hoggard, Pitch Landing,
10 Edward Howell, Reynoldson,
11 R. B. Jones, Forestville,
12 T. Judson Knapp, Edenton,
13 W. Leary, Edenton,
14 J. P. Lee, Murfreesboro,
15 J. M. C. Luke, Harrellsville,
16 Jno. Mitchell, Pitch Landing,
17 M. L. Mizzell, Windsor,
18 A. McDowell, Murfreesboro,
19 R. R. Overby, Elizabeth City,
20 J. H. Philips, Edenton,
21 Ed. Pierce, Merry Hill,
22 T. Pittman, Murfreesboro,
23 J. J. Rochelle, Jackson,
24 Dossey Sanderlin, Camden C H,
25 R. R. Savage, Murfreesboro,
26 Henry Speight, Gatesville,
27 J. D. Stokely, South Mills,
28 A Twine, Powell's Point,
29 B. B. Williams, Colerain,
30 B. F. King, Windsor,
31 H. J. White, St. John's.

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

1 Horatio Bass, Edenton,
2 W. H. Bunch, Windsor,
3 Ephraim Bunch, Mintonsville,
4 Willie Dunning, Roxobel,
5 J. Fleetwood, Margarettsville,
6 Gideon Herring, Camden C. H.,
7 J. W. Hoffler, Sunsbury,
8 A. Hollowell, Elizabeth City,
9 Ira Odam, Pitch Landing,
10 Isaac Outland, Potecasi,
11 Abram Pruden, Gatesville,
12 D. J. Roberts, Newby's Bridge,
13 Exum Stevenson, Jackson,
14 J. M. Taylor, Reynoldson,

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND DAYS OF SERVICE.

J. M. C. Luke, Ahoskie, 4th Lord's Day; Bethlehem, 2nd.

D. V. Etheridge, Ballard's Bridge, 2nd Lord's Day.

Jno. P. Lee, Cool Spring, 1st.

J. D. Stokely, Berea, 2nd Lord's day; Ramoth Gilead, 4th.

T. J. Knapp, Bethel 1st and 3d Lord's days; Sandy Cross, 2nd; Yoppim, 4th.

J. H. Phillips, Edenton, 1st, 2nd and 3d; Hertford, 4th.

R. R. Savage, Buckhorn, 4th; Mt. Tabor, 2nd and 3rd; Great Fork 1st.

T. Hogwood, Pleasant Plains, 1st; Capehearts, 2nd; Connaritsa, 3rd; Ross's, 4th.

A. M. Craig, Cashie, 1st and 3d.

Jno. Mitchell, Holly Grove 1st and 3rd; Pleasant Grove, 2d; Sandy Run, 4th.

T. C. Baily, Middle Swamp, 2d.

W. L. Fitcher, Ebenezer, 2nd and 4th, Woodville, 3rd, Lake Drummond, Va., 1st.

T. W. Babb, Gatesville, 1st; Elim, 2nd; Piney Grove, 4th.

N. B. Cobb, Elizabeth City, 1st, 2nd and 4th; Northwest, 3rd.

E. Pierce, Hebron, 4th; White Oak, 3rd.

West Leary, Macedonia, 3rd; Whiteville Grove, 1st; Salem, 2nd; Rocky Hock, 4th.

B. B. Williams, Mars Hill, 1st; Coleraine, 3rd; Galatia, 2nd; Mill Neck, 4th.

Jno. N. Hogwood, Meherrin, 1st; Potecasi, 2nd; Roberts' Chapel, 3rd; Mt. Carmel, 4th.

A. McDowell, Murfreesboro, every Lord's day.

Evan Forbes, Providence 1st and 3rd; Powell's Point, 4th; Shiloh, 2nd.

Jeremiah Bunch, Republican, 2nd; Corinth, 3rd.

Abraham Twine, Roanoke Island, 2nd.

D. Sanderlin, Shady Grove, 4th.

Wells Briggs, Shiloh, 1st and 3rd.

E. Bunch, (licentiate) Warwick, 3rd Lord's day.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Location and date of constitution.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excommunicated.	Deceased.	Whites.	Co'ored.	Total.	Minute Fund.
Ahoskie,	Hertford co., 1802.	J. M. C. LUKE, W. W. Mitchell, J Hollomon,	15	2	6	145	1	7	360	1	361	$ 5 00
Fallard's Bridge,	Chowan co., 1781.	D. V. ETHERIDGE,* R. D. Simpson, J. Churchill,	9	1	1	25	2	7	429	115	544	5 00
Berea,	Pasquotank, 1855.	S. Wood,* H. C. Ha ated, M. Whitehurst,	27	9	1	5	3	2	190	12	302	4 00
Bethel,	Perquimans, 1806.	T. J. KNAPP, W. Myers,* S. W. Fleetwood,	16	3		8		9	293	1	294	4 00
bethlehem,	Hertford, 1835.	A. J. Cobb, N. L. Shaw, A. Bass, jr.,	23	6	1	1	4	5	202	28	230	6 00
Buckhorn,	Hertford, 1836.	R. R SAVAGE, J. D. Earnes,* G. A. Brett,*		2		2	1	1	98	46	144	2 00
Cap'heart's,	Bertie, 1823.	J. N. HOGGARD, E. PIERCE, J. Rountree,		1	1	8	4	8	338	13	351	5 00
Cashie,	Bertie, 1789.	No letter, and delegates report as last year,							183	266	449	
Coleraine,	" "	J. W. Beasley,* E. Wilson, J. L. Britton,*	9	3		136	1	4	318	6	324	3 00
Connaritsa,	" 1798.	J. L. Burden, A. J. Dunning, J. Burden,	29	2		6	6	9	243	57	300	6 00
Cool Spring,	Gates, 1829.	*A. Pruden*, G. M. Matthews,* S. E. Matthews,*	30	2	2	1		4	172		172	3 00
Corinth,	Northampton, 1854.	Henry Gatling, B. Lassiter,* M. Brewer,	2		1	4	7	1	124		124	3 00
Ebenezer,	Camden, 1829.	No letter, and delegates report as last year,							90		90	
Edenton,	Chowan, 1816.	S Skinner, W. Perkins, T. Small,	47	5	1	1		2	99	142	241	2 00
Elim,	Northampton, 1844.	No letter, and delegates report as last year,							57	37	94	
Elizabeth City,	Pasquotank, 1786.	N. B. COBB,* G. W. Kellinger,* L. S. Davis,	8	6	3	21	15	5	308		308	5 00
Galatia,	Northampton, 1859.	*J. C. Fleetwood*, J. A. Coggins,* K. Davis,*	3			2	3	2	80	11	91	1 00
Gatesville,	Gates, 1854.	J. G. James,* H. Hoffler,* G. W. Parker,	5			11	2		40		40	6 50
Great Fork,	Nansemond, Va., 1852.	J. A. Knight, B. A. F. Collins, W. W. Knight,	40	2			5	5	182	36	218	3 00
Hamilton,	Martins, 1857	No letter and delegates report as last year,							23		23	
Hebron	Northampton, 1856.	J. M. Outland, J. C. Liverman,* J. B. Parker,	35	1	3	2	1	1	108	24	132	2 00
Hertford,	Perquimans, 1854.	J. S. Pearce, J. H. PHILLIPS, D. P. Daughtry,*	3	4				2	59		59	1 50
Holly Grove,	Bertie, 1854.	J. MITCHELL,* W. J. Freeman, J. W. Mitchell,	8	2	1	5			75	48	123	2 00
Macedonia,	Chowan, 1850.	No letter, and delegates report as last year,							77	3	80	1 00
Mars Hill,	Bertie, 1854.	B. B. WILLIAMS, A. Nowell, G. G. Morris,	11	1	1	9	2		87	2	89	1 00
Meherrin,	Hertford, 1773.	W. Vaughan, W. H. Parker,* E. Vaughan,	19	4		16	2	4	230	70	300	3 00
Middle Swamp,	Gates, 1806.	H. SPEIGHT, W. Riddick, N. B. Felton,	28	2	2	1	1		133		133	3 00
Mt. Carmel,	Northampton, 1823.	J. J. ROCHELLE, W. J. Taylor, S. Pruden,	1			5	3	7	192	57	249	2 50
Mt. Tabor,	Hertford, 1839.	W. C. Parker, J. A. Vann, E. Curl,	30	3		7	2	6	188	38	226	3 00
Murfreesboro',	Hertford, 1848.	A. MCDOWELL, J. R. Darden,*	17	1		5		1	49		49	2 50
New Hope,	Gates, 1856.	No letter, and delegates report as last year,								55	55	
Piney Grove,	Gates, 1827.	T. W. BABB, W. L. FITCHER, E. HOWELL,*	16	5	1	2	1		97	55	152	2 20
Pleasant Grove.	Hertford, 1837.	G. C. Moore, *Willie Dunning*, J. G. Moore,	8	9		2		1	86	39	125	5 00
Pleasant Plains,	Hertford, 1857.	T. HOGGARD, J. A. Mizzell,	24	1		1	5	3		217	217	2 00
Potecasi,	Northampton, 1808.	J. B. Maggett, G. D. Hollomon, H. C. Edwards,	28	1		3	3	2	205	63	268	3 00
Powell's Point,	Currituck, 1804.	W. D. Chadwick,* W. N. Combs,*	15	3	2			4	44		44	2 00
Providence,	Currituck, 1826.	E. Simmons,* B. F. Gilbert, B. M. Baxter,*	20	3		2			96		96	3 00
Ramoth Gilead,	Pasquotank, 1809.	J. D. STOKELY, A. Spence, J. R. Etheridge,	11	2	2	5	4		81		81	2 00
Republican,	Bertie, 1834.	J. BUNCH,* C. Pritchard,* D. Peele,	34	3	2	30	3	9	222	58	280	2 00
Roanoke Island,	Currituck, 1807.	A. TWINE,* E. M. Meekins,* W. Hays,*			1	1		3	30		30	1 00
Robert's Chapel	Northampton, 1848.	J. H. Edwards, W. T. Lee, Wm. Boone,	14	10	3	2		1	210	75	285	2 50
Rocky Hock,	Chowan, 1848.	C. D. Ellis,* R. R. Felton, J. D. Webb,*	20	3	1	3	1	5	217	9	226	3 00
Ross' Church,	Bertie, 1804.	M. Hughes, S. T. Hughes,* W. H. Jernigan,*		6		10	1	9	316	37	353	2 50
Salem,	Pasquotank, 1790.	M. Davis, N. Delon, B. Berry,	39	4	4	2	2	2	124	23	147	1 50
Sandy Cross,	Gates, 1828.	R. Hofler, Thos. Riddick, W. H. Manning,	73	9	4	44	6	5	264	1	265	4 00
Sandy Run,	Bertie, 1750.	W. H. Powell, J. R. Powell, J. M. Powell,	2	5	1	11	1	4	174		174	5 00
Sawyer's Creek,	Camden, 1790.	R. R. OVERBY, E. FORBES, W. B. Feribee,	42	8	6	11	5	1	403		403	5 00
Shady Grove,	Currituck, 1829.	D. SANDERLIN,* B. C. Walker, D. West,*	10			3	4		80		80	3 00
Shiloh,	Camden, 1757.	E. Sanderlin, S. Forbes	112	2	10			4	225			

STATISTICS OF BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.	Church Expenses,	Sunday School.	State Missions.	Sunday S. Board.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	W. F. College,	Education Board.	C. F. Institute.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Ahoskie,	$ 400 00										$ 400 00
Ballard's Bridge,	300 00		15 00			$ 26 00			$ 5 00		346 00
Bethel,	464 52	$ 20 75		$30 00		59 11					574 38
Bethlehem,	313 15		25 15			28 27	$ 550 00				916 57
Buckhorn,	150 00	8 00	23 00	10 00			100 00				291 00
Capeheart's,	150 00					19 00			450 00		619 00
Cashie,	250 00						850 00				1100 00
Coleraine,	192 00	5 00				41 20				20 00	258 20
Connaritsa,	100 00										100 00
Corinth,	150 00										150 00
Edenton,	500 00	75 00	31 33	75	$14 00	15 00	100 00	75	75	50 00	687 58
Elizabeth City,	631 00	8 64								20 00	659 64
Elim,	200 00	20 00									220 00
Galatia,	100 00	350 00		12 00						20 00	482 00
Great Fork,	130 00	5 00									135 00
Hertford,	275 00			15 70		26 00					316 70
Holly Grove,	193 00		8 80			12 65					214 45
Meherrin,	150 00					33 00	650 00				833 00
Middle Swamp,	125 00						1200 00				1325 00
Mt. Tabor,	225 00					21 75					246 75
Murfreesboro',	150 00	10 00	50 00	7 50		137 00	650 00	53 00			1067 00
Pleasant Grove,	250 00		15 00					60 00			325 00
Potecasi,	100 00			15 00							115 00
Providence,	100 00					43 10					143 10
Robert's Chapel,	150 00					19 43					169 43
Ross' Church,	114 50					6 15					120 65
Rocky Hock,	125 00					8 43					133 33
Salem,	100 00	8 00				4 81					112 81
Sawyer's Creek,	1000 00		397 00			65 00	2500 00				3962 00
Sandy Run,	315 80					36 75	750 00				1102 55
Sandy Cross,	200 00		20 00								220 00
Shiloh,	100 00		9 00			36 75					145 75
Whiteville Grove,	150 00	20 00	10 00			8 10					188 10
Yoppim,	200 00		28 64			14 20					242 84
	$8052 47	$ 530 39	$ 632 92	$90 25	$14 00	$ 661 70	$7350 00	$113 75	455 75	$ 110 00	$ 18011 23

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

HELD WITH THE

Berea Church, Pasquotank County, N. C.,

MAY 12–14, 1868.

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PROCEEDINGS.

CHURCH AT BEREA, PASQUOTANK CO., N. C., }
Tuesday, May 12th, 1868. }

The Chowan Baptist Association met, in its Sixty Second Annual Session, with the church at Berea, on Tuesday, May 12th, 1868.

The Introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. M. C. Luke, from Jeremiah xvii: 9. "The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked."

After an interval of an hour, the delegates were called together by the Moderator. Elder Henry Spivey led in the opening prayer.

Brethren W. Ferebee, R. D. Simpson, Jos. T. Waff, sat as a committee on finance.

Brethren Langley, Tayloe, W. Myers and Wm. Freeman as committee on statistics of benevolence.

Brethren Samuel Sutton, Edwin. Ferebee and N. B. Cobb as committee on Sunday School statistics.

Letters from the churches were then called for and read. The roll being completed, it was called, and the Association proceeded to organization. Bro. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Brethren W. Carey Parker and Augustus Bass, Jr., were appointed Assistant Clerks.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, and the following were recognized viz: Elder W. T. Walters, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of State Missions of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, Elder W. T. Brooks, President of the Education Board of the North

Carolina Baptist State Convention, Elder R. R. Overby, agent of Wake Forest College, Bro. J. H. Mills, editor of the BIBLICAL RECORDER, as visiting brother from Central Association, Elder M. W. Read, from Roanoke (Va.) Association, Elder Henry Spivey from Pamlico Association, Elder M. C. Rhodes from four churches in Tyrrell county, Bro. W. A. Kingsbury, Agent of the Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention. Elder W. D. Prichard and Bro. G. S. Jennings from Portsmouth (Va.) Association.

The Pastor and deacons of the church were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Association adjourned until 9½ o'clock, A. M., to-morrow, prayer by Elder Bailey.

Elder McDowell preached in the Baptist Church in Elizabeth City, at candle lighting.

WEDNESDAY, May 13th, 1868.

Association met at 9½ o'clock, A. M. Opening prayer by Elder R. R. Overby.

Elder Luke, brethren W. W. Mitchell and John Vann, were appointed a committee to confer with the church at Pleasant Plains, and instruct them in regard to representation in this body.

Committee on Reynoldson Institute reported; report received and the committee discharged:

REPORT ON REYNOLDSON INSTITUTE.

Your Committee submit the following:

Since your last meeting, the Master has called brother J. M. Taylor to his reward. While we deeply deplore our loss, with profound submission, we can only say, "The will of the Lord be done." For the strength of Christian character, and zeal in the cause of Christ and energy in the promotion of our educational interest, Brother Taylor had few equals, but Alas! he is no more. "He fell dead on the field." Since this inscrutable dispensation of God's providence, efforts have

been made to continue the school, but there are many obstacles in the way. The majority of the Executive Board are dead, and most of the remainder have ceased to take any interest in the Institute as an Associational school, and its Finances are still in an embarrassed condition. Your committee therefore deem it necessary that some final action be taken at this session of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

R. R. SAVAGE, Chairman.

Resolved, That brethren R. R Felton, Mills Eure, Wm. Manning, John R. Powell and T. W. Babb be a committee to act in concert with trustees, to settle with creditors of ReynoldsonIn stitute; that they be instructed to sell, if necessary the property of the Institute, and make a final report at the next session ot the Association.

The churches are requested to state in their next annual letters to this body, whether they desire any change, in the time of meetings of the Association.

Resolved, That next session be held with the church at Bethlehem commencing on Tuesday before 3rd Lord's day, May 1868.

Brethren Mitchell, Bass and Tayloe, were appointed a committee to nominate preachers of introductory and Conventional sermons before next Association.

Elder N. B. Cobb was appointed to preach the introductory and Elder J. D. Hufham the alternate.

Elder Overby to preach the Conventional sermon, Elder Knapp the alternate.

Committee on Chowan Female Institute reported, report received, committee discharged:

CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Your Committee appointed to report on the above named Institution, are happy to state that the arrangement recommended at your last session has be n successfully effected.

A company of nine solvent and reliable brethren has been formed, who have assumed all the debts of the Institution, and have paid those which were pressing for immediate payment. The company consists of W. W. Mitchell, Dr. A. J. Askew, William Dunning, Willie Riddick, L. T. Spiers, Rev. John Mitchell, M. R. Gregory, Edwin Ferebee and William T. Tayloe. These are all Baptists, and all, except the last named, members of the previous Board of Trustees, and are well known to be the long tried friends of the Institution. Many others whose names have long been known in connection with the Institution, would gladly have assumed a part of this responsibility,

but they lacked the pecuniary ability. The amount which it will be necessary for the company to raise, will be about fifteen thousand dollars. This, though far below the original cost of the Institution, is yet more than can reasonably be expected to pay such dividends as will make it desirable as a matter of investment. It must therefore be evident that these brethren have been influenced by higher considerations than a desire to promote their own pecuniary interest, and they therefore deserve the gratitude of the denomination and should receive their united sympathy and support.

The Institution is now freed from the incubus of debt, and with all its former facilities will be carried on under the same auspices as heretofore.

It is the purpose of the company to make the school equal to any similar Institution in the South, and all they ask of the denomination is their sympathy and their patronage. That they may still further entitle themselves to this, it is the purpose of the company to afford the means of education to as large a number as possible, by putting their terms as low as they can.

The Institution is now on a better basis than it has ever been, and by the blessing of God, we may reasonably hope that its efficiency and success will be correspondingly increased.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MITCHELL, Chairman,

The Association took a recess at 1 o'clock, P. M., for refreshments.

On re-asembling the chair announced the following committees to report to next Association:

On Chowan Baptist Institute, R. R. Savage, W. C. Parker and J. W. Barnes.

On Periodicals, R. D. Simpson, Jos. T. Waff and Samuel T. Bond.

On State Convention, A. McDowell, J. R. Darden and L. T. Spiers.

On Sunday Schools, J. D. Hufham, W. Ferebee and Mark Gregory.

On Temperance, Wm. Felton, W. Myers, Samuel Sutton.

On W. F. College, John Mitchell, A. J. Askew, and Augustus Bass, Jr.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That our warmest thanks are due brethren W. W. Mitchell, Dr. A. J. Askew, Wm. Dunning, Willie Riddick, L. T. Spiers, Ed. Ferebee, Rev. John Mitchell, Mark R. Gregory, and W. S. Tayloe, for the timely aid they have given the Chowan Baptist Female Institute, that we deeply sympathize with these brethren in their efforts to promote the educational interests of our denomination. We do earnestly recommend its patronage to our brethren.

Committee on periodicals reported; report received and committee discharged:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee recognize in the religious press, the most available and effectual means of maintaining an interest in our denominational work—the surest method of conveying information, as to the different necessities of the various Boards, and the amount of work done. By telling us of the good done in other localities, it serves as an incentive to good works, and encourages us to make greater efforts for the promotion of Christ's cause. It is a necessity, and without it, all our religious enterprises would languish and become comparatively inefficient. In the BIBLICAL RECORDER, our State organ, we have an able advocate of our doctrine, and a fearless defender of truth, and feeling that it should be in the hands of every member of this Association, we recommend that an active effort be made for its more extensive circulation, being assured that we could, in no other way, more successfully prosecute our religious designs.

We are glad to learn that the "Home and Foreign Journal," has been revived, and having for its object, the promotion of Home and Foreign Missions, it merits our unqualified support, and to the end, that our churches may become informed as to the amount of work required by these Boards, we recommend the "Journal" to their favorable notice.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. PARKER, Chairman.

During the discussion on the report, Elders Hufham, Knapp and Mitchell circulated cards among the congregation in behalf of the BIBLICAL RECORDER.

The following were appointed delegates to corrresponding bodies, viz:

To Pamlico Association, Elders Luke, Mitchell and Babb.

To Portsmouth Association, Elders Craig, Savage and McDowell.

To Eastern Association, Elders Knapp, Hufham, and Bro. C. D. Ellis.

To N. C. Baptist State Convention, any of the ministers who may attend.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Amount in Treasury,		$ 121 76
Present contributions,		113 50
		$ 235 26
CONTRA		
Printing Minutes of 1867,	$ 70 00	
Freight, Express expenses, &c-,	10 20	
Transcribing minutes,	25 00	
		$ 105 20
Balance in treasury,		$ 130 06

W. B. FEREBEE, Chairman.

Association adjourned until 9½ o'clock, A. M., to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder N. B. Cobb.

Elder Read preached in the grove at 11 o'clock, A. M. Elder Boon at 3 P. M. Elder Babb at Providence at candle lighting. Elder Bailey in Elizabeth City at the same hour.

THURSDAY, May 14th, 1868.

Association met at 9½ o'clock, A. M., prayer by Elder Briggs. Roll was called, list of ministers corrected.

The list of licentiates was ordered hereafter to be omitted, they not being recognized in the gospel as a distinct order of the ministry.

Elder J. D. Huf ham was requested to prepare a biographical sketch of the late Elder E. Forbes for these minutes.

The following resolution was adopted :

WHEREAS, The Baptist State Convention has advised the separate organization of colored churches and Associations, and whereas the

General Association of Baptists of North Carolina, has been organized in accordance with Baptist faith and order, therefore

Resolved, That we commend to all colored churches a hearty co-operation with that body.

The Committee on Wake Forest College reported; report received and committee discharged.

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

It affords your Committee pleasure to state that this important and long cherished Institution is enjoying a reasonable amount of prosperity. The Faculty is large for the number of students in attendance, the system of instruction has been revised and rendered complete and efficient, and it is believed that the educational advantages of the Institution are equal to those presented at any similar Institution, while the moral influence is more healthful than that of many others.

There are at present nine young brethren prosecuting a course of study, prepatory to the ministry, under the Educational Board of the Convention. This department is in need of funds, and it is earnestly recommended to the liberal contributions of the benevolent.

The endowment is progressing encouragingly under the efficient agency of Elder R. R. Overby.

Your Committee are of opinion that it is *now* of paramount importance that this institution shall be vigorously sustained.

Respectfully submitted,

A. McDOWELL, Chairman.

Association adjourned to hear Conventional Sermon by Elder Cobb.

The claims of State Missions were advocated by Elder Walters after the sermon. The collection ($48 48) was appropriated to the cause of State Missions. W. Ferebee, M. Whitehurst, A. Bass, Ed. Ferebee and J. T. Jones were requested to take up the collection.

On re-assembling, the committee on state of religion reported, report received and committee discharged.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Your Committee on the state of religion, within the bounds of the Chowan Association, would report:

That while some of our churches are putting forth commendable effort in the Master's cause, and we hope much good has been accomplished, yet there is great destitution within our bounds, and the

people generally, are sadly irreligious, and there is the most urgent necessity for Missionary labor, and increased effort on the part of all the churches.

Respectfully submitted,

WEST LEARY, Chairman.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Elder J. D. Hufham be requested to write a History of the Association

Resolved, That Elders Mitchell, McDowell and Baily be requested to prepare a sketch of the life of the late Elder R. B. Jones, for these minutes.

Elder Brooks presented claims of beneficiaries at Wake Forest College, when $85 60 were collected in cash and pledges.

Elders Mitchell, Bailey and Hufham were appointed committee on Domestic Missions in our own bounds.

The report on Temperance was read and adopted, and the Committee discharged.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We deem it necessary to speak at length, on the evils of intemperance. We do not expect to throw any light upon, nor add a single new idea to this subject. But, impressed to some extent, with its importance, and satisfied that it is not as necessary to tell people something new, as to remind them of what they already know. We would earnestly call attention to the united voice of reason and revelation calling upon us, to take an uncompromising and decided stand against intemperance in all its forms.

But we will not enlarge upon a subject like this. It is denounced by heathenism; nature rises up against it; ruined health preaches against it. Intemperance is arraigned and punished, even in this life; it impoverishes our circumstances; it beggars our family; it enervates the body; it impairs the mind, and stupifies reason; it unfits for every duty and prepares the way for every sin. Surely the half of this should induce you to shun all intemperance, and cause you to resolve with one all-concentrating vow, that you will neither touch, taste, nor handle this greatest enemy of mankind.

But we are convinced that little good can be accomplished in this direction, so long as professed Christians continue to make, sell and drink intoxicating liquors as a beverage. We, therefore, affectionately entreat our brethren to seek more grace, as being the only effectual remedy against intemperance.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. C. LUKE, Chairman.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The committee on Sabbath Schools are gratified to report that all the churches represented at this session of the Association have Sunday Schools in operation except 8. See table.

Respectfully submitted,

N. B. COBB,
E. FEREBEE, } Com.
S. SUTTON,

The Committee on the Biographical sketch of Elder J. B. Webb, reported; the report was read and adopted, and the Committee discharged.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF ELDER J. B. WEBB.

We undertake the duty assigned us to write a sketch of our beloved and lamented brother, not because of the effect it will have upon the silent sleeper, but to be thus engaged, is to pay what is due to memory, and to raise our eyes to the halo that invests the future; it is to gain strength to look fearlessly into the portals of the silent tomb, to pay in thought and reflection what we owe to the character of the good and noble.

It is the memory of a man's life, more than his life, which sinks into our hearts, and fully exhibits his real life; and by faithfully describing the lives of men eminent for goodness, we not only embalm their memory, but furnish ourselves with fresh materials and motives for a holy life.

Brother Webb's early opportunities for acquiring an education were limited; but he possessed a strong predisposition to learning, and a great thirst for knowledge, and was one of the few ministers, who by study and observation, was improving his mind and becoming more "apt to teach," more acceptable as a preacher, and more useful. He was an attentive and thoughtful reader of the Bible, and especially loved devotional singing, and was faithful in secret prayer.

His piety was unquestionable and of a high order. It was deeply seated in the heart, and swayed a delightful influence over the whole man. It was not sullen nor morose, but was cheerful as the day, and melting as the sunshine. Many can bear full testimony to his love, his humility, his patience and his zeal in every good word and work. His devotion was ardent, steady, pure, and persevering; kindled at the altar of God, like the fire of the temple, it went not out by day nor night. A more sincere or truthful man we never knew, and if "an honest man is the noblest work of God," then he was the noblest man we ever saw.

He was modest and reserved, little inclined to speak of himself or his own doings. He was cautious and deliberate in forming his

opinions; but when his purpose was settled he adhered to it with great firmness. In the pulpit, his readings of the Scriptures, and his approaches to the mercy-seat, showed the elevation of his faith and the depth of his humility. This strong faith accompanied him into all the duties of life. The two most marked traits of his religious character, were trust in Jesus, and faith in prayer. And when he left the pulpit, he felt unconcerned to know whether his theme suited the taste of his hearers or not; he was content if he felt the approval of God, as "a good minister of Jesus Christ" He ever contended for, and defended the great and fundamental truth that the visible church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, in which the pure word of God is preached, and the sacraments duly administered according to the ordinances of Christ. These truths drawn from the word of God, he urged upon his brethren, and earnestly entreated them to take a more decided stand, and arise to the nobleness of their essential principles; to live and speak like men entrusted with a divine commission which they are to carry out for the honor of Christ and the benefit of the human race.

It would be an interesting task to illustrate at greater length, the harmony of his moral energies, to enlarge upon his practical qualities, his personal piety, his honesty and other traits so characteristic of the man, and which constituted him what he was, a high-toned Christian gentleman But we can only refer briefly to his dying hours. And what a death was his, so calm, so sublime, so patient, so triumphant. It was just such a death as always closes such a life. He was engaged in a protracted meeting at Sandy Cross, and went from the pulpit to brother Eason's, and during the three remaining days of his mortal life ceased not to comfort Christians and admonish sinners. Several young men heeded his warning voice and dedicated themselves to their Savior. While all around were filled with sorrow, he was calm, serene, and happy, fully resigned, and ready to fulfil the will of his God. "Let my last end be like his."

Elder Webb was born the 10th of June, 1816, was ordained in May, 1850, and died the 18th of October, 1866.

Respectfully submitted,

T. JUDSON KNAPP, Chairman.

The Committee on the biographical sketch of Elder Stephen Bazemore reported; report received and committee discharged:

ELDER STEPHEN BAZEMORE.

The records which could give us a definite and full account of the early history of ELDER BAZEMORE were mislaid, or lost during the late war. Nor have we access to any sources of information that can fully

supply the deficiency. For the following sketch we are indebted chiefly to the contribution of Elder A M. Craig, and Elder Jeremiah Bunch ; brother Willie Dunning, and sister Eliza Mitchell have also rendered valuable aid.

Elder Stephen Bazemore was the son of John Bazemore, a farmer by profession, who married Elizabeth Elliott, by whom he had ten children, of whom Stephen was the youngest. John Bazemore lived and raised this large family of children in Bertie county, N. C., about seven miles from Windsor. Stephen Bazemore married Mary Byum with whom he lived happily for sixty-five years.

Early in life he professed religion, and was received into the fellowship of the Baptist church of Christ, at Cashie, near Windsor. Soon after his reception into the church, he gave evidence of usefulness as a Minister, and was licensed to preach the Gospel as Providence might afford him an opportunity. On the 17th of November 1816, he was ordained Pastor of the church at Connaritsy, by Elders Moses Gilliam and Hillory Morris, in which capacity he served the church faithfully and successfully for 35 years.

Connaritsy was a very feeble body, with scarcely members enough to form the nucleous of a worshipping assembly when Elder Bazemore commenced preaching to them the unsearchable riches of Christ, with a zeal that attracted the attention and commanded the respect of his hearers. Such was the earnestness with which he labored for the conversion of his fellow-men, and such the unblemished purity of his life, that his manner and conduct gave an almost resistless efficacy to his ministrations. None could listen to him without being impressed with the sincerity of his piety and the benevolence of his aims. With a heart melting with emotion, he would warn the impenitent of the wrath to come, and by entreaties that often subdued the most inconsiderate, he turned many from the error of their ways. His meetings were, to the pious, seasons of refreshment from the presence of the Lord, and the occasions on which the Holy Spirit dispensed with signal effect His convicting and converting power. These results were brought about by no efforts at declamation, nor by contrivances to lure heartless professors within the pale of the Sanctuary. Appreciating the truth, that the glory of a church does not consist in the number, but in the purity of its members, he labored to guard those under his care against the illusion of being satisfied with a form of godliness while destitute of its power. Walking himself in the light of God's countenance, and partaking largely of the joy of salvation, he could point others to the springs of Zion, where flow the hallowed waters of peace and gladness. It was not only in the pulpit that he performed the duties of his office, but wherever he went, into whatsoever circle he entered, the utterance of his lips showed that the prosperity of his

Master's cause, and the salvation of souls, were uppermost in his heart. No occasion that presented itself for the promotion of these objects, was suffered to pass unimproved. With the solicitude of a friend, he admonished the thoughtless, and pointed those who were without hope, to the inheritance which awaits the redeemed in the Paradise above.

The preaching of our beloved brother was peculiar; never loud and boisterous, but always plain, unaffected and impressive, and not unfrequently delivered in strains of the most touching tenderness. Possessing in early life no facilities for mental culture, and gifted with nothing more than an ordinary capacity, he yet, so observed the workings of the human heart, and the principles of human conduct, and so moulded his views by the word of God, that he was often able to enrich his discourses with striking thoughts and useful reflections,—easy to be understood and remembered, and commmending themselves to every man's conscience.

In 1833, he was called to the Pastorate of the church at Republican, and for 20 years or more, served that church with great acceptance and with good success.

He had the Pastoral care of churches for 51 or 52 years, and his zeal was unabated to the last. When unable to discharge the duties of Pastor, in consequence of the infirmities of old age, he continued to preach when able to do so; and for the last three or four years of his life kept up a regular appointment at a school house near by; at which place, he was permitted to enjoy a gracious outpouring of the Spirit, and rejoice over the conversion of ten or twelve souls, but a little while before he was taken up.

With a serene and unclouded hope, he looked forward to the day of his departure; and requested that when it should come, a discourse should be preached from 2 Tim. 4: 7, 8.

He departed this, in hope of a better life, on the 11th of April 1867, and his funeral sermon was preached by Elder A. M. Craig from the text above named

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the church and congregation at Berea for the kind hospitality with which this association has been entertained.

Ordered that 2000 copies of these minutes be printed and distributed as usual.

After prayer by Elder Walters the Association adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

S. J. Wheeler, Clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	No Schools.	No Scholars	No Teach'rs	Vols Lib'ry	Conver'ons	Superintendents	Clerks.	Post Offices.
Ahoskie,	1	73	16			W. Askew,	J. S. Mitchel,	Winton,
Ballard's Bridge	2	150	12	100				
Berea,	1	80	12	200		H. Halstead,	W. Davis,	E. City,
Bethel,	1	82	16	250		W. Myers,	A. C. Trotman,	Hertford,
Bethlehem,	1	45	6			M. Brewer,	J. R. White,	Harrellsville,
Buckhorn,	1	30	10	100		T. D. Vann,	T. E. Vann,	Murfreesboro,
Capehart's	1	25	7			J. Rountree,	R. W. Cofield,	Merry Hill,
Cashie,	1	30	6	300		J. S. Tayloe,	J. B. Spivey,	Windsor,
Colerain,	1	33	7			J. P. Howell,		Colerain,
Connarits y,	2	54	10			A. J. Dunning,		St. Johns,
Cool Spring,	1	30	6	100		Thos Wiaphlet,	Ad. Eure,	Gatesville,
Corinth,	1	36	10	75	17	A. Vann,		Rich Square,
Ebenezer,	1	40	9			W. W. Sawyer,		South Mills,
Edenton,	1	63	20	250		J. T. Davis,		Edenton,
Elim,								
E. City,	1	75	12	200	2	C. W. Kellinger		E. City,
Galatia,	1	47	9	40	1	J. B. Boon,	L. D. Parker,	Margarettsville,
Gatesville,	1	50	8	150		H. Hoffler,	F. H. Babb,	Gatesville,
Great Fork,	2	70	20	100	6	S. Savage,		Suffolk,
Hamilton,								
Hebron,								
Hertford,	1	40	8			D. P. Daughtry,		Hertford,
Holly Grove,								
Macedonia,	1							
Mar's Hill,								
Meherrin,								
Middle Swamp,	1	40	10	200		W. Riddick,	M, B. Felton,	Gatesville,
Mt. Carmel,								
Mt. Tabor,	2	10	10	90	1	W. C. Parker,	T. M. Parker,	Murfreesboro,
Murfreesboro,	1	50	8	250		L. T. Spiers,		Murfreesboro,
New Hope,	1					A Reed,		Gatesville,
Piny Grove,	1					Joseph Smith,		Gatesville,
Pleasant Grove	2	99	13	150		W. T. Tayloe,	W, L. Maget,	St. Johns,
Pleasant Plains,								
Potecasi,								
Powell's Point,	1	56	5			A. Gibson,		Powell's Point,
Providence,								
Ramoth Gilead,								
Republican,	1	100	11	200		W. Bunch,	Dr. Drew,	Windsor,
Rocky Hock,	2	120	18	700		E. Byrom,	R. R. Felton,	Edenton,
Roanoke Island,	1	19	5			W. Hays,		Roanoke Island,
Robert's Chapel								
Ross' Church,	1	47	6			M. Measells,		Colerain,
Salem,	1	90	15	119		M. Davis,		E. City,
Sandy Run,	1							
Sandy Cross,	1							
Sawyer's Creek	2	207	51	300		W. B. Ferebee,		Camden C. H.,
Shady Grove,	1	50	9			B. Walker,		Currituck C. H.,
Shiloh,	1	80	10	100		B. Barco,	N. Burgess,	Camden C. H.,
Warwick,								
White'v'le Grove,	1	65	13	200		J. Turner,	W. B. Riddick,	Belvidere,
White Oak,	1	40	8	309	2	B. F. Ward,	W.Davis,	Windsor,
Coppim,	1	49	17	200		J. T. Waff,		Edenton,
Total reported,	45	2,156	406	3968	29			

STATISTICS OF BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.	Ch. Expenses.	Sun. School.	State Missions	S. S. Board.	Dom Missions	For. Missions.	W. F. College	Education.	Miscellaneous	Total.
Ahoskie,	$ 250 00		$20 00	$2		$ 7 00	$ 520 00		$27 00	$ 826 0
Ballard's Bridge,	150 00	10 00			36 45	7 83			4 00	208 2
Berea,	130 00	15 00	30 00						2 00	177 0
Bethel,	100 00								50 00	150 0
Bethlehem,	200 00						500 00		4 00	704 0
Buckhorn,	180 00		5 00			7 85			2 00	194 8
Capehart's,	150 00					28 00			5 00	183 0
Cashie,	250 00	65 00			15 00	26 50	500 00	15 00	100 00	971 5
Coleraine,	180 00		15 50			10 00	100 00		27 40	332 9
Connaritsa,	100 00				10 00				41 00	151 0
Cool Spring,										
Corinth,	200 00								3 00	203 0
Ebenezer,	250 00						480 00		2 00	732 0
Edenton,	600 00		18 00			27 00			2 00	647 0
Elim,	175 00		5 50							180 5
Elizabeth City,	425 00	75 00	5 00		10 00	15 00		12 00	5 00	547 0
Galatia,	120 50		2 75			3 77			1 50	128 5
Gatesville,										
Great Fork,	115 80	16 00	2 00			3 53			16 00	153 3
Hamilton,										
Hebron,										
Hertford,	250 00								1 00	251 0
Holly Grove,	125 00	5 00			5 00	12 65	200 00	5 25	2 00	354 9
Macedonia,										
Mar's Hill,										
Meherrin,									3 60	3 6
Middle Swamp,	128 00	18 28								146 2
Mt. Carmel,										
Mt. Tabor,	200		10 00			10 00		10 00	30 00	260 0
Murfreesboro',	107 50		20 00			50 00		145 00	137 00	459 5
New Hope,										
Piny Grove,	135 00		12 00		5 00				2 00	154 0
Pleasant Grove,	150 00	10 00	5 00					23 00	5 00	193 0
Pleasant Plains,										
Potecasi,									3 00	3 0
Powell's Point,									25 00	25 0
Providence,	500 00	5 00					800 00		3 00	1308 0
Rameth Gilead,	100 00								2 00	102 0
Republican,										
Roanoke Island,	7 00								1 00	8 0
Robert's Chapel,	150 00						450 00	2 50	3 00	605 5
Rocky Hock,	88 00	16 68	8 40		10 00		135 00	3 40	5 00	266 4
Ross' Church,										
Salem,	200 00	20 00	4 35		15 00				31 50	270 8
Sandy Cross,	150 00	30 00							18 00	198 0
Sandy Run,										
Sawyer's Creek,	1050 00		15 00				650 00		5 00	1070 0
Shady Grove,										
Shiloh,	450 00	20 00		13		15 00	250 00		5 00	753 0
Warwick,	50 00	6 00							2 00	58 0
Whiteville Grove,	150 00		13 00					245 00	2 00	410 0
White Oak.	30 00									
Yoppim,	200 00	16 00			18 00	40 00		150 00	3 00	427 0
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STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec by let	Restored.	Dis by let.	Excom'd.	Deceased.	Whites.	Colored.	Total.	Min Fund
Ahoskie,	*J. M. C. Luke*, W. W. Mitchell, Wm. Freeman,	6	1	1	9	2	14	344	1	345	5 00
Ballard's Bridge,	*D. V. Etheridge*, R. D. Simpson, Jno. Churchill,	2	6		12	1	11	427	99	526	4 00
Berea,	S. Wood, H. Holstead, Miles Whitehurst,	2	5		4	2	2	182	11	193	3 35
Bethel,	S. Sutton, J. W. Trotman, W. Myers,		3			2	6	293	1	294	
Bethlehem,	A. Bass, Jr., A. J. Cobb,* N. L. Shaw,*							202	28	230	4 00
Buckhorn,	*R. R. Savage*, R. T. Barnes,* J. Warren,*	4			2	1	2	97	44	141	2 00
Capehart's,	*J. N. Hoggard*,* *E. Pearce*,* J. Roundtree,	1	1	1	16	20	18	297	7	304	5 00
Cashie,	*A. M Craig*, S. J. Wheeler, Thos. Gilliam,*	5	5		57	1	4	186	211	397	5 00
Coleraine,	Jno. Wilson,* J. W. Beasley,* Wm. Nowell,	32	6	2	6	4	13	334	7	341	3 00
Connaritsy,	J. S. Burden,* Jas. Burden,* A. J. Dunning,*		1	3	21	25	5	234	5	239	3 00
Cool Spring,	No representation, statistics as by last report,	14				1		155		172	
Corinth,	Thos. Bowers,* H. Gatling,* A. Vann,	22			4	4	2	144		144	3 00
Ebenezer,	W. W Sawyer, C. G. Spence, D L. Prichard,	3		2	6	4	2	101		101	2 00
Edenton,	J. H. Rogerson, C. H. Saulsbury,* C. Murden,*	15	9	1	4		1	105	146	251	2 00
Elim,	F. E. Whitehead,* W T. Capel,* R. S. Barham,*				10			41	19	58	1 50
Elizabeth City,	*N. B. Cobb*, E. Harriss, J. M. Morgan,	6	4	3	15	20	10	288		288	5 60
Galatia,	J. C. Fleetwood,* *J. B Boone*, L. D. L. Parker,*	8	1		3	2	2	83	10	93	1 50
Gatesville,	H Hoffler,* T. E. Cross,* M. L. Eure,*	2			2	1	1	39		39	2 00
Great Fork,	J. M. Savage, W. W. Knight,* David Brown,*	7	2		2	3	1	182	22	204	2 00
Hamilton,	No representation, statistics as per last report,									23	
Hebron,	" " " " " "									182	
Hertford,	J. S. Pearce,* W. W Speight,* P. H. Welsh,*		2		2	1	1	58		58	1 50
Holly Grove,	*Jno. Mitchell*, W. J. Freeman, M. J. Rayner,		1	1	15		1	72	36	108	2 00
Macedonia,	*W. Leary*, P. F. White,* S. S. Leary,*							77	3	80	
Mar's Hill,	A. Nowell,* J W. Perry,* G. G. Morriss,							87	2	89	
Meherrin,	*Jno. P. Lee*, Jesse Vaughn, Wm. H. Parker,		2		12	2		225	53	278	3 00
Middle Swamp,	J. A. Roundtree, W. E. Matthews, *J. A. Speight*,			1	4	5	2	120		120	2 00
Mt. Carmel,	No representation, statistics as per last report,							192	57	249	
Mt. Tabor,	W. C. Parker, L. R. Cobb, P. L. Parker,*	1	4	1	25	4	8	171	28	199	3 00
Murfreesboro',	*A. McDowell*, J. R. Darden,*		2	2				45		45	2 50
New Hope,	No representation, statistics as by last report,								55	55	
Piny Grove,	*T. W. Babb*, Jos. Smith,* J. T. Howell,*		1		1	1	3	92	53	145	2 00
Pleasant Grove,	Willie J Dunning,* Langley Tayloe, G. C. Moore,	4	1		1	2	1	87	38	135	5 00
Pleasant Plains,	*Thos Hoggard*,*	20	1	2	1	2	2		235	235	2 50
Potecasi,	H. C. Edwards,* Jno. E. Maget,* D. M. Beale,*				10	3	1	232	58	290	3 00
Powell's Point,	A. Gibson, H. H. Harrison, T. D. Aydelott,				1		1			47	1 00
Providence,	R. N. Barton, S. Sumner, R. Hall,										

Sandy Run,	W. H. Manning,* J. Eason,* R. Hofler,				8	5	4	114	24	138	1 50
Sawyer's Creek,	No representation, statistics as per last report,	1	7		5	5		278		278	3 00
Shady Grove,	T. B. Bouchelle, M. R. Gregory, W. B. Ferebee,							174		174	
Shiloh,	A. West,* B. C. Walker,* J. Etheridge,*	25	1	3	9	18	8	395		395	5 00
Warwick,	W. *Briggs*, S. W. Forbes, S. W. Williams,	8		2			7	75		75	1 50
Whiteville Grove,	H. H. Hobbs, *E. Bunch*, N. Trotman,	20	2	12	5	8	8			342	5 00
White Oak.	W. C. Simpson, G. H. Simpson, *D. J. Roberts*,	38	14			1	2	135		135	2 00
Yoppim.	Frank Ward* no letter,		1		2		4	155	2	157	2 00
	J. T. Waff, Wm. Hedrick, A. R. Creecy,				1	6	6	86	64	100	1 00
			5			3		137	26	163	1 00
		327	95	45	264	163	161	8.672	1.635	10.725	113.50

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*Absent. Ordained ministers in *Italics.*

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHOWAN ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Bethlehem, Hertford County, N. C.

MAY 11th--13th, 1869.

G. C. MOORE, MODERATOR, St. Johns.
W. C. PARKER, CLERK, Murfreesboro.
W. W. MITCHELL, TREAS., Winton.

RALEIGH:
THOS. M. HUGHES, PRINTER,
1869.

MINISTERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

1. T. W. Babb,	Gatesville.
2. C. T. Bailey,	Edenton.
3. J. B. Boone,	Margerettsville.
4. Wells Briggs,	Elizabeth City.
5. Jeremiah Bunch,	Windsor.
6. E. Bunch,	Mintonsville.
7. A. M. Caaig,	Windsor.
8. D. V. Etheridge,	Edenton.
9. W. L. Fitcher,	Lake Drummond, Va.
10. D. Harrell,	Windsor.
11. Thos. Hoggard,	Colerain.
12. J. N. Hoggard,	Murfreesboro'.
13. Ed. Howell,	Gatesville.
14. J. D. Hufham,	Camden C. H.
15. B. F. King,	Windsor.
16. T. J. Knapp,	Edenton.
17. West Leary,	"
18. J. P. Lee,	Murfreesboro'.
19. J. M. C. Luke,	Plymouth.
20. A. McDowell,	Murfreesboro'.
21. John Mitchell,	Colerain.
22. M. L. Mizzell,	Windsor.
23. R. R. Overby,	Elizabeth City.
24. Ed. Pierce,	Merry Hill.
25. D. J. Roberts,	Edenton.
26. M. C. Rhodes,	Gum Neck.
27. J. J. Rochelle,	Jackson.
28. D. Sanderlin,	Camden C. H.
29. R. R. Savage,	Murfreesboro'.
30. H. Speight,	Gatesville.
31. J. A. Speight,	"
32. J. D. Stokely,	South Mills.
33. B. B. Williams,	Colerain.
34. H. J. White,	St. Johns.

PROCEEDINGS.

CHURCH AT BETHLEHEM,
Tuesday, May 11th, 1869.

The Chowan Baptist Association met with the Church at Bethlehem, in its 63d annual session on Tuesday, May 11th, 1869.

Introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. D. Hufham from Mat. VIII: 11: "And I say unto you that many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven."

After sermon the Association adjourned for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After an interval of an hour the delegates were called together. Elder Henry Speight led in the opening prayer.

Brethren W. W. Mitchell, J. L. Taylor, and W. Myers were appointed a committee on finance.

Brethren Geo. A. Brett, Langly Taylor and J. T. Waff sat as Committee on Statistics of Benevolence.

Elders R. R. Savage, J. B. Boone and brother Mark Gregory as Committee on Sunday School Statistics.

Letters from the churches were called for and read; the roll being completed, it was called, and the Association proceeded to organization.

Dr. G. C. Moore was elected Moderator for the ensuing year. Bro. W. C. Parker was elected Clerk; brother A. J. Cobb was appointed assistant clerk.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, and the following

recognized: Elder C. J. Nelson, as corresponding member from Pamlico Association; Elders W. D. Pritchard and N. B. Cobb from Portsmouth Association; Elder W. T. Walters, corresponding Secretary of State and Education Board; Elder W. M. Wingate, President of Wake Forest College; brethren P. A. Dunn and J. H. Mills, Editor of *Biblical Recorder*, from the Central Association.

Two letters were read purporting to come from the church at Ballard's Bridge. They were referred to Elders Overby, McDowell, Mitchell, Hufham and Leary to report on; the Moderator was subsequently added to the Committee.

The Pastor and Deacons of this Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

A letter from Mt. Zion Church, asking admission into this Association was presented by Elder Luke. After a discussion by Elders Luke, T. Hoggard, Cobb, Nelson and Rhodes, on motion, the further consideration of the question was postponed till morning.

Elder C. T. Bailey preached at the stand at 3 P. M.

On motion the Association adjourned until 9½ A. M. tomorrow. Prayer by Elder Cobb.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Prayer meeting at 9 o'clock, conducted by Elder Nelson.

The Association met at the appointed hour. Opening prayer by Elder Thos. Hoggard.

Letters were read from the churches at Roanoke Island and Powell's Point.

Bro. Jas. A. Deike and Elder J. M. C. Luke were recognized as representatives of the Baptist Sunday School Association.

On motion, the consideration of the application of Mt.

Zion church to connect itself with this Association, was resumed; and after remarks by the Moderator, Elders Speight, Luke, Nelson and Rhodes, the church was admitted and the right hand of fellowship extended by the Moderator.

Applications for admission into this body were, also, made by the churches of Plymouth, Gum Neck, and Sound Side. On motion, they were, in like manner, received.

Committee appointed last session to confer with the church at Pleasant Plains in regard to representation in this body reported that they desired representation as formerly—by proxy. Report was received; Committee discharged. Petition was received from the church at New Hope asking for a letter of dismission, which was granted.

The report on Periodicals was offered by brother J. T. Waff.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It is generally conceded that a well-conducted religious periodical, is an efficient instrumentality for disseminating the truth and exciting Christians to greater activity in the Master's service. In our State organ, the *Biblical Recorder*, we recognize such a paper, and the low price at which it is now offered to clubs of ten, or more, places it within the reach of a large number of our brethren, who do not, at present, read it. The difficulty is that so many remain ignorant of its merits, and indifferent to its claims. Let then every subscriber obtain one more, or let every pastor or some lay member raise a club of ten, or more, in each of our churches, and the increased labor in the vineyard of the Lord brought about by reading the paper, will amply repay for all the trouble.

We also recommend the *Home and Foreign Journal*, published at Richmond, containing monthly accounts of the labor of our beloved ministers, who have denied themselves the dearest pleasures of earth, to work for Christ, and the claims of the gospel upon us in that direction.

J. T. WAFF, Chairman.

Adopted.

At the suggestiou of Bro. Delke the *Sunday School Banner* and *Child's Delight* were included in the recommendations.

In connection with the adoption of the report, addresses were made by Elders Luke, Speight and Nelson.

Brethren J. M. Skinner, W. Myers and J. T. Waff were appointed a committee to nominate preachers of introductory and conventional sermons before next Association.

On motion, it was decided to hold the next session of the Association with the church at Hertford, on Tuesday before the 3rd Sabbath in May, 1870. Elder John Mitchell to preach the introductory, Elder J. N. Hoggard alternate; Elder A. McDowell to preach the conventional sermon, Elder B. B. Williams, alternate.

Elder Babb, of the Committee on Reynoldson Institute, made a verbal report, stating that the property had passed into the hands of brother Willie Riddick, and that the school would be opened next session by brother Julius Howell.—The Committee was continued, with instructions to make a final report at our next session.

Elder Luke introduced the following query: Is it in the opinion of this Association, consistent with Baptist usage to receive members of primitive Baptist churches into thier fellowship without again baptizing the candidate?

On motion, it was laid on the table.

Dr. Wingate preached at the stand at 11 o'clock.

The Association took a recess at 1 o'clock, P. M. of one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On re-assembling Elder R. R. Savage presented the following

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

It is gratifying to be able to report this Institution in a prosperous condition. With sixty students in attendance, the prospect is encouraging for a large increase next session.

General good health has prevailed. All the departments have been filled with faithful, efficient, experienced instructors.

Possessed of facilities ampler than most schools, it is affording tuition and board at considerably less than any other Institution of the same grade in this or any of the adjoining states. By the time

ly aid of tried friends the Institution has been made permanent; and we have in our bounds a school, in every way worthy of our support, and one we can confidently recommend to others.

R. R. SAVAGE, Chairman.

Adopted.

At the meeting of the Stockholders of the Chowan Baptist Female Institute in February last, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Rev. John Mitchell, be appointed to report to the Chowan Association, the amount of money paid by the Company, in purchase and repairs of the Institute, and to make a formall tender of the Institute to the Association on their refunding to the Company the amount expended by them, or the privilege of taking as much stock as they think proper.

I am not able to state to you the exact amount the company may have to pay for the Institute, as there are still outstanding notes which they have not been able to cancel, but will, as soon as the remainder of the stock can be paid in, and the amount required will be reported as soon as ascertained. The amount paid up to this date, May 10th, 1869, is $8.876.58, and the whole amount required will not exceed $11.500, the amount of stock subscribed.

In behalf of the company, I now make a formal tender of this property to the Chowan Association upon the conditions named in the above resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MITCHELL.

The following resolutions, introduced by Elder Hufham, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this body do hereby express their grateful appreciation of the generous offer of the Stockholders of the Chowan Baptist Female Institute at Murfreesboro'.

Resolved, That the members of this body be encouraged to take stock in the Institute, and thereby relieve the Stockholders of, at least, a part of the burden which they have so nobly assumed.

Resolved, That the proposal of the Stockholders be printed in the minutes.

In connection with the adoption of the report and resolutions, addresses were made by Elders John Mitchell, McDowell, Overby, Walters, Savage, Boone, Wingate, H. Speight, Luke, and Hufham.

The following report on Baptist State Convention, read by Dr. McDowell was adopted:

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

We learn from the report of the Corresponding Secretary that twenty-four Missionaries were employed by the Board of State Missions

during the last conventional year; that the signal blessing of God attended their labors, and that seven thousand dollars were collected and expended for their support.

That the Board of Education has sustained twelve beneficiaries, who are young men of promise and of piety; and are prosecuting their studies at the College with diligence and success. The year closed with a debt against this Board of $500 or $600. As this debt is due for board of beneficiaries, it is important that it be, at once, liquidated.

The Board of Foreign Missions has had no agent in the field during most of the year, and we are unable to report what has been done for this important object: but the interest of this Board has now been committed to Rev. W. T. Walters, the Corresponding Secretary, to whom all monies for either of these Boards should be transmitted.

A. McDOWELL, Chairman.

The consideration of this report was postponed until tomorrow morning 10 o'clock.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported through Elder Savage. Report received and committee discharged.

(See Apendix D.)

Brother Geo. A. Brett offered the report on Statistics of Benevolence, which was adopted:

(See Apendix C.)

On motion of Elder C. T. Bailey the query introduced by Elder Luke on yesterday was taken from the table and decided in the affirmative without debate.

The Moderator announced the following standing Committees for the ensuing year:

On Chowan Baptist Female Institute, J. D. Hufham, W. B. Ferebee, Mark Gregory.
On Periodicals, C. T. Bailey, C. D. Ellis, J. T. Waff.
On Baptist State Convention, T. J. Knapp, R. R. Felton, W. Felton.
On Sanday Schools, G. A. Brett, J. W. Barnes, T. D. Vann.
On Temperance, John Mitchell, A. J. Askew, A. Thomas.
On Wake Forest College, R. R. Savage, John A. Vann, W. C. Parker.

The following were appointed delegates to corresponding bodies:

To Pamlico Association, A. M. Craig, J. M. C. Luke, R. R. Savage.
To Portsmouth Association, A. McDowell, J. B. Boone, J. D. Hufham, R. R. Overby J. M. C. Luke.
To Eastern Association, T. J. Knapp, C. D. Ellis, C. T. Bailey.

To Baptist State Convention, J. D. Hufham, John Mitchell, A. McDowell, J. N. Hoggard, B. B. Williams, Jeremiah Bunch, and any of our brethren in the ministry who may attend.

Elders W. D. Pritchard and M. C. Rhodes preached at the stand.

On motion the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder J. N. Hoggard.

THURSDAY, May 13th, 1869.

MORNING SESSION.

A rainy morning caused the Association not to meet until 10 o'clock. Prayer by Elder C. J. Nelson. Roll was called.

On motion, so much of the report on Baptist State Convention as referred to ministerial education was taken up and discussed.

Elder Walters made an appeal for aid for our beneficiaries at Wake Forest College. A collection was taken up, amounting to sixty-six dollars and thirty cents in cash, and two hundred and sixty-two dollars and fifty cents, one barrel of flour and one keg of fish in pledges.

Association adjourned to hear conventional sermon, which was preached by Elder R. R. Overby from I Chron. XXIX; and latter clause of 5th verse: "And who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?"

After sermon, and remarks by Elder Walters, brethren A Bass, Jr., L. Taylor, J. C. Fleetwood, J. A. Perry, and J. W. Mitchell waited upon the congregation in the house, and brethren W. W. Mitchell, J. T, Waff and J. E Maget, at the stand, and secured collections to the amount of forty-one dollars and seventy-four cents for Baptist State Convention.

Elder H. B. Parker preached at the stand.

Association took a recess of one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 2, P. M., by the moderator.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a delegation be appointed by this body to meet with the brethren composing the Union meeting of the Pamlico Association, to confer with them in reference to the organization of a new Association, on the south side of Roanoke river, and that any churches within bounds of said proposed Association, now belonging to this body, be empowered to unite with that new Association, should its formation be deemed advisable, waiting until next May to obtain letters from the Chowan Association.

Elders John Mitchell, J. M. C. Luke, W. Leary, J. P. Lee, and brother C. D. Ellis constitute the delegation. On motion the Moderator was added.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH AT BALLARD'S BRIDGE.

The Committee on letters from the church at Ballard's Bridge, after a full investigation of the circumstances which led to the sending of two delegations, are of opinion that the minority is the orderly part of the church; that the majority have grossly departed from Baptist usage and gospel order:

1st. In rescinding the action of the church in calling a Pastor at the meeting at which his acceptance was reported, and the Committee discharged.

2nd. In attempting to settle over the church a Pastor, known to be unacceptable to a large and respectable minority of the church.

3rd. In excluding certain members of the church without a formal charge, and without, at first, citing them to trial.

4th. In restoring a member against the protest of several members of the church, and without a unanimous vote of the church.

Your Committee, therefore, are of opinion, that at the present, the Association ought not to receive either delegation, as delegates from the church; and for the purpose of restoring harmony to the church would advise, 1st. That the excluded members be restored without requiring any concessions or acknowledgments. 2nd. That the church call a Pastor upon whom all can agree, or in case this cannot be done, we recommend that letters of dismission be granted to all who may wish to withdraw.

Respectfully Submitted,

G. C. MOORE,
A. McDOWELL,
R. R. OVERBY,
J. D. HUFHAM,
JOHN MITCHELL,
WEST LEARY.

The report of the Committee was received and Committee discharged.

Committee on Finance submitted the following report, which was adopted;

Amount in Treasury,		$130.06.
Present Contributions,		116.10.
		$246.16.
CONTRA.		
Printing Minutes for 1868,	$70.00.	
Freight, Expenses, &c.,	10.00.	
Transcribing Minutes,	25.00.	
	$105.00.	$105.00.
Balance in Treasury,		$141.16.

W. W. MITCHELL, Chairman.

Elder John Mitchell read the following

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

We are gratified to be able to report that the prospects of the College are improving, and are considered much more hopeful now than at any time since the late war. The number of students, at one time greatly diminished by the pressure of the times, is now steadily increasing. Over twenty have matriculated during the present session. About twenty, out of the eighty four now in attendance, are preparing for the ministry. Twelve of these are beneficiaries. The contributions from the churches have not been sufficient to sustain this number of beneficiaries, and unless increased, the Board will find it necessary to dismiss a part of them. We would earnestly recommend the subject to the prayerful consideration of the churches, and urge them to increase their subscriptions. The beneficiaries, as a class, are young men of fine promise, and doing well, and the Board would regret the necessity of having to dismiss any one of them for the want of funds to sustain them.

The endowment fund has been progressing as well as could have been expected under the circumstances.

Respectfully Submitted,
JOHN MITCHELL, Ch'm'n.

The report was discussed by Drs. Wingate, McDowell and Elder Walters, and adopted.

Elder N. B. Cobb made an appeal for aid to furnish his church in Portsmouth with a bell. He obtained $12.10 in cash, and $4.00 in pledges.

On motion brother W. W. Mitchell was appointed treasurer of this Association.

Elder J. M. C. Luke made an appeal for aid to build a house of worship in Plymouth. He secured $40.00 in cash; $5.00 in pledges.

The clerk was instructed to have 2000 copies of the Minutes printed and distributed.

Committee appointed last session on Obituaries made a report through Elder Mitchell. The report was adopted and ordered to be appended to the Minutes.

(See Apendix A.)

On motion, the clerk was instructed to transmit to the printer an amount sufficient to print the Minutes, and pay postage on the same to the several churches.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the church and congregation at Bethlehem, for the kind hospitality with which this Association has been entertained.

The business of the session being completed the Association adjourned.

After singing the hymn "Blest be the tie that binds," prayer was offered by Dr. Wingate.

The Moderator then declared the Association adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*

W. C. PARKER, *Clerk*.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	PASTORS	CLERKS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.
Ahoskie,	Hertford, 1802,	W. W. Mitchell, Jas. Holloman, H. Modlin,	John Mitchell,	W W Mitchell, Winton,
Ballard's Bridge,	Chowan, 1781,			
Berea,	Pasquotank, 1855,	S. Wood,* H. C. Halstead, M. Whitehurst,*	R. R. Overby,	[illegible]hitehurst, Elizabeth City,
Bethel,	Perquimans, 1806,	W. Myers, T. J. Sutton, W. M. Fleetwood,*	T. W. Babb,	G [illegible]arrow, Hertford,
Bethlehem	Hertford, 1835,	A. Thomas, A. Bass, Jr., A. J. Cobb,	John Mitchell,	J W Harrell, Harrellsville,
Buckhorn	Hertford, 1836,	R. R. Savage, G. A. Brett, R T. Barnes,	R. R. Savage,	J W Worrell, Murfreesboro,
Capeharts	Bertie, 1823,	J. N. Hoggard, E. Pearce,* G. W. Cobb,	T. Hoggard,	G W Cobb, Windsor,
Cashie,	Bertie, 1789,	T. Gilliam, S. J. Wheeler, Johnathan Taylor,		S J Wheeler, Windsor,
Colerain,	" "	E. Wilson, J. L. Britton, H. Pearce,	B. B. Williams,	A O Askew, Colerain,
Connarits,	" 1798,	A. J. Dunning, J. L. Burden,* A. F. Early,	T. Hoggard,	A J Dunning, St Johns,
Cool Spring,	Gates, 1829,	A. Pruden, J. F. Brinkley, G. M. Matthews,	J. P. Lee,	N Harrell, Gatesville,
Corinth,	Northampaon, 1854,	H. Gatling, J. H. Overton, J. Bowers,	J. Bunch,	L Ward, Rich Square,
Ebenezer,	Camden, 1829,	C. G. Spence, M J. Overton, J. G. Hughes,	H. Speight,	C G Spence, South Mills,
Edenton,	Chowan, 1816,	C. T. Bailey, C. Murdin,* Wm. Perkins,	C. T. Bailey,	W E Bond, Edenton,
Elim,	Northampton, 1844,	No letter or delegates; aggregate report at last year		
E. City,	Pasquotank, 1786,	R. R. Overby, C. W. Kellinger,* E. Harriss,	R. R. Overby,	C W Kellenger, Elizabeth City,
Galatia,	Northampton, 1859,	J. B. Boone, L. D. L. Parker, J. C. Fleetwood,	J. B. Boone,	J A Coggin, Margarettsville,
Gatesville	Gates, 1854,	T. E. Cross,* J. R. Powell, H. Hoffler,	J. P. Lee,	J R Powell, Gatesville,
Great Fork,	Nansemond Va, 1832	W. W. Knight, S. Savage, A. T. King,	R. R Savage,	W W Knight, Suffolk, Va.
Gum Neck	Tyrrell,	M. C. Rhodes,	M. C. Rhodes,	Wm Brickhouse, Gum Neck,
Hamilton	Martin, 1857,	Letter; no delegates.	No Pastor,	
Hebron,	Northampton, 1856,	J. O. Outland, J. B. Joyner, J. M Outland,	J. B Boone,	M Futrell, Murfreesboro,
Hertford,	Perquimans, 1854,	J. M. Skinner, C. W. Wood, U. W. Speight,*	C. T. Bailey,	D P Daughtery, Hertford,
Holly Grove,	Bertie, 1804,	John Mitchell, J. W. Mitchell, L. Todd,	Jno. Mitchell	J W Mitchell, Colerain,
Macedonia	Chowan, 1850,	P. F. White,* W. Leary, J. T. Smith,	W. Leary,	
Mars Hill	Bertie, 1854,	B. B. Williams, J. W. Perry, S. M. Pearce,	B. B. William	M B Evans, Colerain,
Meherrin	Hertford, 1773,	J. P. Lee, J. T. Vaughan, J. J. Parker,*	J. N. Hoggar	Otis Parker, Murfreesboro,
Middle Swamp,	Gates, 1806,	H. Speight, J. A. Speight, W. E. Matthews,	T. W. Babb,	W E Matthews, Gatesville,
Mt. Carmel,	Northampton, 1823,	J. J. Rochelle,* W. H. Pruden, W. J. Maddry,*	J. N. Hoggar	J [illegible]e Jackson,
Mt. Tabor	Hertford, 1839,	W. C. Parker, J. A. Vann, T. M. Parker,	R. R. Savage,	T M Parker, Murfreesboro,
Mt. Zion,	Tyrrell,	W. J. Beasley, L. Ludford, J. A. Spruill,	J. M. C. Luk	J A Spurill,
Murfreesboro,	Hertford, 1848,	A. McDowell, J. R. Darden,	A. McDowell	L T Spiers, Murfreesboro,
Piny Grove,	Gates, 1827,	T. W. Babb, J. H. Parker, J F. Howell,	T. W. Babb,	J F Powell Gatesville,
Pleasant Grove,	Hertford, 1837,	G. C. Moore, L. Taylor, J. A. Perry,	Jno. Mitchel	W L Maget, St Johns,
Pleasant Plains,	Hertford, 1857,	T. Hoggard, J. A Mizzell,	T. Hoggard,	L Weaver, Winton,
Plymouth,	Washington, 1868,	B. F. Barber, J. E. Jackson, J. H. Cooper,	J. M. C. Luk	J E Jackson, Plymouth,
Potecasi,	Northampton, 1808,	H. C. Edwards, J. E. Maget, D. M. Beal,*	J. N. Hoggar	H C Edwards, Murfreesboro,
Powell's Point,	Currituck, 1804,	L. Murrill,* H. H. Harriss,* N. Delon,*	Wells Briggs	W S Harrison, Powells Point,
Providence,	Currituck, 1826,	S. Seymore, W. Matthias, B. F. Gillbert,	R. R. Overby	B M Baxter, Currituck Court House,
Ramoth,	Pasquotank, 1809,	J. S. Jones,* W. R. Williams,* A. Spence,	J. D. Stokely	J R Eldridge, South Mills,
Republican,	Bertie, 1824,	J. Bunch, W. G. Burden, W. Pritchard,	J. Bunch,	J Pritchard, Windsor,
Roanoke Island,	Currituck, 1807,	Wm. Hays,* E. Berry,* E. M. Meekins,*	W. Briggs,	E M Meekins, Currituck Court House,
Robert's Chapel,	Northampton, 1848,	W. H Garriss, J. H. Edwards. W, L. Moore,	J. N. Hogga	Wm Boone, Murfreesboro,
Rocky Hock,	Chowan, 1848,	C. D. Ellis, T. J. Knapp, J. Tynch	T. J. Knapp,	R R Felton, Edenton,
Ross' Church,	Bertie, 1804,	K. White, W. D. Perry, W. H. Hughes,	T. Hoggard,	J L White, Colerain,
Salem	Pasquotank, 1790,	M. Davis, W. Jackson, J. E. Graves,	W. Leary,	J A Bellowell, Elizabeth City,
Sandy Cross,	Gates, 1828,	W. H. Manning,* W. B S. Riddick, C. R. Brinkley,*	T. J Knapp,	J R Skinner, Mintonsville,
Sandy Run,	Bertie 1750,	Geo. Bishop, J M. Powell, H. P. Harrell,	J. Bunch,	H P Harrell, Roxobel,
Sawyers Creek,	Camden, 1790,	M. R. Gregory, H. Scott, W. B. Ferebee,	J. D. Hurdle	T B Rochelle, Camden Court House,
Shady Grove,	Currituck, 1829,	No letter or delegates; aggregate report as last year	W. Briggs,	
Shiloh,	Camden, 1757,	W. Briggs,* S. W. Forbes, S. W. Williams,	W. L. Fitche	S W Williams, Camden Court House,
Sound Side,	Tyrrell,	M. C. Rhodes, J. G. Brickhouse, J. Cooper,	M. C. Rhode	J G Brickhouse,
Sarwick,	Chowan, 18	E. Bunch, N. Trotman, H. H. Hobbs,	E. Bunch,	J Kelly, Mintonsville,
Whiteville Grove,	Perquimans, 857,	H. Layden, E. Simpson,	T. W. Babb,	W C Simpson, Belvedere,
White Oak,	Bertie, 1856,	W. Davis,* J. Collins,* F. W. Ward,*	D. Harrell,	F W Ward, Windsor,
Zoppin.	Chowan, 1775,	J. T. Walf, A. Bonner, H. Bass,	T. J. Knapp,	J T Walf, Edenton,

*Absent. Ordained ministers in SMALL CAPS.

4. Berea.										
5. Bethlehem.	215 75	10 00	5 00			6 00	45 00			281 75
6. Buckhorn.	182 00	13 00	6 00			6 00		18 00	5 00	230 00
7. Capeharts.	150 00									150 00
8. Cashie.	175 00					5 50				180 50
9. Colerain.	225 00		13 32			20 82		5 50	50 00	314 64
10. Connaritsa.										
11. Corinth.	150 00		5 00			5 00				160 00
12. Cool Spring.										
13. Ebenezer.	150 00	10 00								160 00
14. Edentan.	463 50		8 00					22 00		493 50
15. Elim.										
16. Elizabeth City.										
17. Galatia.	100 00	4 50								104 50
18. Gatesville.										
19. Great Fork.	108 03					1 50				109 53
20. Gum Neck.										
21. Hamilton.										
22. Hebron.										
23. Hertford.			16 21 1 00							
26. Mars Hill.	117 01		9 00			10 00			8 00	144 10
27. Meherrin.										
28. Middle Swamp.	125 00								20 00	145 00
29. Mt. Carmal.			9 80							9 80
30. Mt. Tabor.	200 00		8 25			9 00		8 00	30 00	255 25
31. Mt Zion.										
32. Murfreesboro.	103 00	16 36	15 65			59 32		155 00	19 65	368 98
33. Piney Grove.	135 00		7 00						2 00	144 00
34. Pleasant Grove.	181 50		4 27			4 27		18 00		208 04
35. Pleasant Plains.										
36. Plymouth.										
37. Potecasi.	140 00									140 00
38. Powell's Point.										
39. Providence.										
40. Ramoth Giliad.	200 00		8 00							208 00
41. Republican.										
42. Roberts Chapel.	100 00		2 50						6 00	108 50
43 Roanoke Island.	40 00									40 00
44. Rocky Hock.	160 00	57 00								217 00
45. Ross Church.	125 00									125 00
46. Salem.	125 00	4 00							12 00	141 00
47. Sandy Cross.	170 00		19 34							189 34
44. Sandy Run.	210 00		10 00			10 00		10 00		240 00
89. Sawyers Creek.	1084 90	10 60	59 20					9 00		1163 10
50. Shady Grove.										
51. Shiloh.	250 00									250 00
52. Sound Side.										
53. Warwick.	50 00									50 00
54. Whiteville Grove.	150 00				7 00					157 00
55. White Oak.										
56. Yoppim.	150 00	12 50	26 18				200 00		50 00	438 68
	$6253 69	147 36	256 22	1 00	7 00	181 91	245 00	265 50	278 50	7635 75

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS. (D)

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	Scholars. No.	No. Teachers.	Vols. in Libr'y.	Conversions.	SUPERINTEND'TS	CLERKS.	POST-OFFICE.
Ahosky,	2	83	10	86		Williamson Askew,	W. C. Jenkins,	Winton.
Ballard's Bridge,								
Berea,	2	138	23	350		H. C. Halstead,	W. Davis,	Elizabeth City.
Bethel,	1	75	19	150	22	W. Myers,	J. W. Trotman,	Hertford.
Bethlehem,	3	100	20	100		J. R. Mizell,	J. R. White,	Harrellsville.
Buckhorn,	1	50	10	100		J. D. Barnes,	R. T. Barnes,	Murfreesboro.
Capeharts,								
Cashie,	2	60	10	300		J. S. Tayloe,	J. B. Spivey,	Windsor.
Colerain,								
Connarit[illegible]a,	2	130	15		20	Willy Dunning,	A. J. Dunning,	St. Johns.
Cool Sp[illegible]ring,								
Corint[illegible],	1	40	12			Thos. Bowers,	A. Vann,	Rich Square,
Eben[illegible]er,	1	45	9	50		J. McPherson,	C. G. Spence,	South Mills,
Eden[illegible]on,	1	62	16	300		C. T. Bailey,	J. Rogerson,	Edenton.
Eli[illegible]								
[illegible]abeth City,	1	100	10	200		C. W. Kellinger,	J. Cartright,	Elizabeth City,
[illegible]allatts,	1	50	9	90	3	J. C. Fleetwood,	L. D. L. Parker,	Margarettsville.
[illegible]atesville,	1	32	6	100		H. Hoffler,	J. R. Powell,	Gatesville.
[illegible]reat Fork,	2	70	20	100	1	S. Savage,	R. F. Harrell,	Suffolk, Va.
[illegible]amilton,								
[illegible]ebron,	1	50	10			J. G Joyner,	R. T. Revell,	Murfreesboro.
[illegible]ertford,	1	40	10	150		J. M. Skinner,	T. H. Welsh,	Hertford.
[illegible]olly Grove,	1	25	4			Lewis Todd,	L. Todd,	Colerain
[illegible]acedonia	1	50	8	10		J. Copeland,	C. Williams,	Edenton.
[illegible]ars Hill,	1	75	10	450		S. M. Pierce,	G. N. Green,	Colerain.
Meherrin,								
Middle Swamp,								
Mt. Carmel,								
Mt, Tabor,	1	50	9	100		W. C. Parker,	T. M. Parker,	Murfreesboro.
Nt. Zion.	1							
Murfreesboro,	1	68	10	300		L. T. Spiers,	G. D. Parker,	Murfreesboro.
Piny Grove,	1	30	5			J. Smith,	J. F. Howell,	Gatesville.
Pleasant Grove,	2	60	10	150	6	J. A. Perry,	W. L. Maget,	St. Johns.
Pleasant Plains,	1	75	10	100		W. Jones,	T. E. Weaver,	Winton.
Potecasi,								
Plymouth,								
Powell's Point,								
Providence,	1	50	5			D. Sawyer,	D. M. Baxter,	Elizabeth City.
Ramoth Gilead,	2	80	14	130		J. Jones,	J. Jones,	South Mills,
Republican,	1	100	12			W. H. Bunch,	J. W. Drew,	Windsor.
Rocky Hock,	2	170	24	425	16	C. D. Ellis,	E. Byron,	Edenton.
Roanoke Island,								
Robert's Chapel,	1	36	9	50		J. H. Edwards,	Wm. Boone,	Murfreesboro.
Ross' Church,	1	75	8			W. Hughes,	S. T. Hughes,	Colerain.
Salem,	1	90	15	119		M. Davis,		Elizabeth City.
Sandy Run,	1	50	6			R. E. Cox,	Geo. Bishop,	Roxobel.
Sandy Cross,	1	46	8	160		W. H. Manning,	T. H. Riddick,	Gatesville.
Sawyer's Creek,	2	275	30	300		W. B. Ferebee,	L D V D Pritchard,	Camden C. H.
Shady Grove,								
Shiloh,	3	85	14			B. B. Barco,	N. Burgiss,	Camden C. H.
Warwick,	1	41	5	40		E. Bunch,	D. Hobbs,	Mintonsville.
Whiteville Grove,	2	100	13	200		J. Turner,	W. B. Riddick,	Belvidere.
White Oak,	1	40	5	155		B. F. Ward,	W. Davis,	Windsor.
Yoppim,	1	65	10	175		J. T. Waff,	J. S. Siterzon,	Edenton.
Gum Neck,	1	40	16			W. P. Brickhouse,		Gum Neck.
	55	2901	469	4940	68			

APPENDIX.

(A)

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF ELDER R. B. JONES.

Elder R. B. Jones was born on the 17th, Feb. 1826, in Person county, N. C.

He volunteered, as a soldier in the Mexican war and served his country faithfully until discharged on account of loss of health. From the exposure and hardships of a soldiers life, his constitution received a shock from which it never fully recovered.

So feeble was his health when he bid adieu to his fellow-soldiers in Mexico, that not one of them, it is believed, thought he would ever reach his home in N. C.

But God mercifully spared him not only to see his home, and embrace his loved ones there, but gave him about twenty years to serve Jesus, as a good soldier of the cross, and made him one of his most devoted and useful ministers of the Gospel.

In 1849 he was received as a beneficiary at Wake Forest College, and prosecuted his studies with unusual energy and success for a session or two, when failing health rendered it necessary for him to change his sedentary life at College, for more active labor.

An appointment as missionary to the Western part of N. C., was accepted by him, and without delay he entered the field; and, for several years, labored for the Master in the valley of the Catawba with great zeal and good success. He was instrumental in erecting a house of worship in Burke county, called Warlick's Chapel; also Providence, in Catawba county, and Bruington in Gaston county.

Subsequently he accepted a call to the pastorate of the Baptist Church in Charlotte, and was instrumental in erecting their present house of worship, and of adding much strength to the church.

In 1859 his health having been much improved, he returned to Wake Forest College with the hope of being able to complete the regular course of studies in that Institution. He was then over thirty years of age and had a wife and three children. While prosecuting his studies at the College, he preached for the churches at Flat Rock and Brassfield's with great acceptance and marked success.

He graduated with honor in 1861, and immediately thereafter accepted a call to the Hertford Baptist Church, and for about six years was their faithful, their much beloved and efficient Pastor. During a part of this time, he preached also semi-monthly at Bethel.

But failing health compelled him to suspend his labors as pastor. Although unable to occupy the pulpit, he was still able to ride and preach Jesus from house to house, with a power and pathos, which, says Prof. Walters, he never saw equalled by any other man.

The agency for the endowment of Wake Forest College was offered to him by the Board of Trustees, and accepted; and this indefatigable servant of Christ, although apparently nigh unto death, entered without delay upon its responsible duties. As in all other fields of labor, so here, he was eminently successful. Notwithstanding the deep poverty of the people, and the great financial pressure that was then upon them, as the result of the late war, he secured in pledges for the College, twenty-two thousand dollars in about nine months.

The following tribute to the character of Bro. Jones is from the pen of his intimate friend and preceptor, Elder W. T. Walters: "He was a man of active and vigorous intellect, clear and comprehensive in his views, pointed and forcible in the presentation of them. Decided in all his opinions, and always ready to sustain them by such arguments as had convinced his own judgment.

Pre-eminently brave, and possessed of an unusual amount of moral courage, no opposition could deter him from the discharge of his duty. He was, indeed, a bold defender of the doctrines of Christ. As in the life and character of the Apostle Peter, we see human nature blended with, and sanctified by grace, so in this eminent servant of Christ, we see the man, the natural man, but the man subdued by grace. The lion, humanly speaking, and yet the lamb. We have never seen the power of the gospel of Christ more beautifully and forcibly illustrated than in the life and character of Elder R. B. Jones. For months before his departure, he seemed almost to live in the spiritual world. His thoughts were all of heaven; and his whole soul was filled with the desire to glorify God either by living or dying.

He was perfectly resigned to the will of God, and often remarked upon the false notions which he had in life and death. Christ had robbed death of its terrors, and the grave of its victory.

When asked by a friend if he had a shadow of doubt of his acceptance, he replied, "My soul hath placed her foot upon the promises of God; they are sure, and I am safe."

In our last conversation with him, he remarked, "By nature I am a sinner—a great sinner; yet oh! the mercy and goodness of God! they slay me, they slay me! The love of God constraineth me."

A volume might be filled with his pointed and forcible expressions, as he lingered for months, with his soul ablaze with love, and his native intellect whetted with the power of truth. He carried with him the sword of the spirit, and his feet were shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace.

Some may think the picture overwrought, but hundreds who have had the privilege of being with him, as he moved among the people, almost a walking skeleton, will testify that the half has not been told.

He leaves a wife and five children to mourn his death. May God provide friends for them! We are thankful to know that already he has given tokens of his favor to his devoted servant. Brother McDowell, of Murfreesboro', before his death, took in charge his oldest daughter to educate as a gratuity. Another friend kindly offered to take his second daughter. Thus the Lord is raising up friends for his servant. Hundreds will cherish the Memory of Bro. Jones, and we hope that a history of his life will, ere long, be written.

He died at Wake Forest College on the 17th of December, 1867, near 42 years old.

PROCEEDINGS.

HERTFORD BAPTIST CHURCH,
Tuesday, May 10th 1870.

The Chowan Baptist Association met in its sixty-fourth annual session, with the church at Hertford, on Tuesday, 10th May, 1870.

Introductory sermon was preached by Eld. John Mitchell, from Acts IX: 31; "Then had the Churches rest throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied."

After sermon the association adjourned for refreshments.

AETERNOON SESSION.

After an interval of an hour-and-half, the delegates were called together. Eld C. T, Bailey led in the opening prayer.

Brethren J. T. Waff, L. Taylor, and H. C. Edwards sat as committee on finance.

Brethren W. L. Maget, H. P. Harrell and N. L. Shaw, were appointed a committee on Statistics of Benevolenee.

Brethren W. H. Manning, James Morgan and W. B. Ferebee a committee on Sunday School Statistics,

Brethren Augustus Bass, jr. and W. H. Powell were appointed assistant clerks.

Letters from the churches were called for and read. A protest from an aggrieved minority of the church at Ebenezer was presented and read; the roll being completed, it was called and the Association proceeded to organization.

Dr. G. C. Moore was re-elected Moderator for the ensuing year. W. O. Parker, clerk; bro. W. W. Mitchell, treasurer.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, and the following recognized: Eld. T. R. Owen, Mod. of Pamlico Association. Eld. W. D. Pritchard from Portsmouth Association; Eld. B.

G. Covington, agent for Domestic Missions, Board of Southern Baptist Convention; Eld. W. T. Walters and bro. Wm. B. Dunn from Central Association; Eld. W. M. Wingate, D. D. President of Wake Forest College.

The pastor and deacons of this church were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

A letter was read from Cedar Branch Church in Martin Co. asking admission into this body. On motion the application was referred to a committee consisting of elders J. M. C. Luke, R. R. Savage and R. R. Overby.

The church at Pleasant Plains having asked for a letter of dismission, on motion of Eld. Savage, the application was granted.

On motion of Eld. McDowell, Eld Luke was instructed to call a presbytery, examine the credentials of the church at Gum Neck, and if not a regularly organized church to take such aotion as may be necessary to constitute it one.

Eld. B. B. Williams preached in the Methodist Church at 3 o'clock, p. m; Eld. W. M. Wingate in the Baptist church, at 8 p. m.

On motion the Association adjourned till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock. Prayer by Eld. Savage.

Wednesday May 11th.

MORNING SESSION.

Opened with prayer by Eld. Owen The roll was called and counted.

On motion of Eld. Luke, Eld. D. Sanderlin was recognized as a delegate from Shady Grove Church.

A letter from Sharon Baptist church, Tyrell county, was read, asking admission into this body. The application was referred to Elders Williams, Luke and Lee, who reported recommending its reception. On motion the church was received, and the right hand of fellowship extended to its representative by the Moderator.

The Committee to whom was referred the application of the church at Cedar Branch made a similar report, and the church was in like manner received into this body.

Eld. Geo. W. Sanderlin was recognized as corresponding member from Pamlico Association.

On motion the protest from the minority of the church at Ebenezar, was referred to a committee consisting of Eld's Overby, Leary, H. Speight, Huf ham, and brethren W. B. Ferebee and Jos. Jones.

Eld. C. T. Bailey read the following

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee would not attempt in the narrow limits of this report an estimate of either the value of religious papers in the instruction they impart to the churches, or their great aid in sustaining our denominational interests. It is now an admitted fact that they are second only of all the means in use for the establishment of Christ's Kingdom; next to the living ministry, stands the religious press to sustain the ministry, instruct the church, and incite both to higher and nobler efforts.

We here express our deep regret that so many of our brethren are left to drift before the storms and tides of public sentiment, always wrong, but at this time peculiarly pestilential, and are thus exposed to the "many winds of doctrine," and "commandments of men" that pass current as higher developments of Christianity. One of the strongest weapons to be used in this contest, and especially against this enemy of Christ and his church, is our denominational literature. Very little of stability or efficiency can reasonably be expected of brethren who thus deprive themselves of light and truth so easily obtained. The failure to read these papers is really the source from which springs most of the evils that mar our peace and destroy our influence, and render so unsuccessful all our denominational enterprises. We can never reach the full measure of usefulness and piety that Christ and his church demands of us, until the ten thousand baptists of this Association are ten thousand readers of our denominational papers. The one great reason of our present comparative inefficiency is the narrow limit to which the instruction contained in our papers is confined, instruction that is absolutely necessary and that cannot be imparted in any other way.

Our brethren are willing and ready to sustain to the extent of their ability all the objects of Christian benevolence that are presented and explained to them. This cannot be done by many of our pastors, who see their churches but twelve hours in twelve months, and who are expected to spend these hours in delivering sermons on general topics. We believe that it would add much to the piety and zeal of our churches if half, at least, of these efforts were made directly in behalf of our missionary and educational interests. But we regret the want of interest in these objects on the part of some of our teachers.

Our brethren and sisters must be educated in our distinctive principles, in the mission to which God has called us, in the aims and objects now before us, or we

cannot hope that it will be better with us in future years than it is to-day.

We cheerfully recommend the BIBLICAL RECORDER to the most favorable consideration and general patronage of this body; and express the hope that it will not only heartily endorse, but urgently press the claims of our different boards.

C. T. BAILEY, Chairman.

The "Home and Foreign Journal," and "Kind Words," were included in the recomendation. The report was discussed by Elders Bailey, Sanderlin, Walters, Covington, Wheeler, Knapp, Overby, Hufham, McDowell, bro. Jones, and adopted.

Eld. N. B. Cobb, was welcomed as corresponding member from Portsmouth Association.

Eld. J. D. Hufham presented the

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

We are glad to announce that the Institute is in a prosperous condition. It is, for the first time in its history, free from pecuniary embarrassment.

It is well officered. One hundred and ten students have matriculated since last October. All these things constitute a degree of prosperity which calls for thankfulness on the part of this body.

J. D. HUFHAM, Chairman.

In connection with the adoption of the report, addresses were made by Elds. McDowell, Knapp, Babb, Savage, Overby, Hufham, Speight, and Luke.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended to allow Eld. Covington agent for Domestic Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention, to present the claims of that object.

He was followed in his remarks by Elders Overby and Knapp, who offered the following;

Resolved.—That we sympathize with the Domestic Mission Board, and recommend our churches to contribute to this object.

The resolution was adopted.

Committee on religious exercises announced that Eld. W. D. Pritchard would preach in the Methodist Church at 3 o'clock P. M.

On motion the association adjourned till 2 o'clock, evening.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 2 p. m. by the moderator.

On motion of bro. J. T. Waff, it was decided to hold the next session of the Association with the church at Poticasi, on Tuesday before 3rd Sunday in May, 1871.

Brethren W. W. Mitchell, A. J. Askew, and J. M. Powell, were appointed a committee to nominate ministers to preach introductory and conventional sermons on that occasion.

On motion, a committee consisting of brethren J. Bunch, Johnathan Taylor and Joseph Spivey, were appointed to settle accounts of the Association with the former treasurer.

Eld. T J. Knapp offered the

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The State Convention is an annual meeting of Baptists for missionary and benevolent purposes.

It was organized with the view to systematize and unite the labors of the churches in North Carolina.

The leading objects are three, viz:

I. Ministerial Education

While all honor is due to the noble spirits and indomitable zeal of our fathers in the ministry, whose labors God so signally blessed in building up the cause of Christ in our land, yet the advancement of society, in all the departments of knowledge, demands higher educational qualifications of the ministry in order that they may properly instruct the educated masses.

The Educational Board recognizes this principle, and has eleven young brethren under its care at this time. Some of these are men of acknowledged and marked ability, and this number would be largely increased if their board could be paid at the College. But it is a painful fact, that the number already there will be diminished if there is not a prompt and liberal contribution raised to meet present demands.

We would ask you to contemplate a man redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, consecrated soul and body for time and eternity, to the service of God; a small amount of money spent in completing the education of a man, for such a work, is beyond all human computation; it acts and re-acts; it blesses and is blessed; it glorifies and is glorified. Several devoted men who were assisted by this society have for many years filled important places in the pastoral office at home, while others have for many years preached the gospel in heathen lands; and through their instrumentality multitudes have been converted to God.

Many of the redeemed will trace the influence through which they were converted to J. L. Pritchard and M. T. Yates, who were among the first educated by this society.

II. STATE MISSIONS.

A large portion of our State is destitute of the means of grace. There are several large and growing towns where the gospel is seldom preached; and there are thousands who never heard the gospel.

There are many small churches in danger of dying out. and will without timely aid. The Board, has at this time one State evangelist, and several missionaries employed, who are laboring with success and accomplishing much good.

III. FOREIGN MISSION.

Charity, it is said, begins at home, but at home it does not stay. We are commanded to love our neighbor as we love ourselves; and christianity teaches us, that our neighbor is every man in the world. The Board has no agent in the field, but is relying upon the contributions sent up by the churches in aid of this great and glorious work.

The foreign field was never more inviting, and never were there greater inducements and encouragements to labor in this department.

T. JUDSON KNAPP, Chairman.

On motion of Elder Bailey, so much of the report as referred to the Educational Board, was taken up and discussed by Eld's Walters, Overby, Wingate, and McDowell, and a collection taken up for that object, amounting to sixty-six dollars in cash, and sundry pledges of money and provisions from individuals and churches.

The remaining portion of the report was taken up and discussed. Eld. Sanderlin made an appeal for men and means to aid destitute sections in Pamlico Association—followed by Eld's Cobb and Barber. Eld. Hufham offered the following resolutions:

Resolved.—That the work of State Missions be commended to the prayerful consideration of the churches composing this body.

Resolved.—That the Union meetings within the limits of this body be requested to occupy the destitute fields within the limits of the Pamlico Assoociation as rapidly as possible.

The report and resolutions were adopted.

Committee on religious exercises announced that Eld. Hufham, would preach in the Baptist Church to-night at 8 o'clock; that Eld. Sanderlin would preach in the Methodist church at the same hour.

In the absence of committee on Sunday Schools, appointed at our last session, on motion Eld's Rhodes, J. Bunch and bro. A. J. Dunning were appointed to prepare a report on that subject, and present it at some time during the present session.

Eld. T. W. Babb submitted the following:

REPORT ON REYNOLDSON INSTITUTE.

The property of Reynoldson Institute has been sold and is now in the possession of bro. J. F. Howell, who has a flourishing school at that place. Bro. Howell has purchased Reynoldson Institute with a view to establish a permanent school, and considers himself a fixture there, and only asks a trial that his merit as a teacher and his claim upon your patronage may be appreciated.

T. W. BABB, Chairman.

Adopted.

Committee appointed to nominate preachers for next session made the following report.

To preach introductory sermon: Eld. C. T. Bailey; Alternate, T. J Knapp. Conventional sermon: Eld. T. W. Babb; Alternate, Eld. West Leary.

Report received, and committee discharged.

On motion the Association adjourned. Prayer by Eld. N. B. Cobb.

THURSDAY, May 12, 1870.

MORNING SESSION.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Eld. J. D. Hufham.

Roll was called.

On motion of brother Waff, Dr. Mell's system of parliamentary practice was adopted for the government of this body.

Elder Hufham offered the following resolutions:

Resolved. That this body is not a court of judicature to settle disputed cases of church discipline; that the proper plan for adjusting all such difficulties, when the church cannot do it herself, is for the church to call in counsel from neighboring churches.

Resolved That our churches be requested to pursue this course in all such cases before bringing or allowing them to be brought here for consideration.

The resolutions were discussed by the Moderator, Eld's Overby, Babb, Hufham, Mitchell, Walters, and Knapp. Adopted.

Committee on religious exercises, announced that Elder Walters would preach a missionary sermon in the Methodist church at 11 o'clock; and that Elder McDowell would preach the conventional sermon in the Baptist church at the same hour.

Elder John Mitchell presented the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The subject of temperance has not received that attention which its impor-

tance demands. Temperance Societies have done much, but have failed to accomplish the work proposed; and we would recommend to our brethren the propriety of relying more upon the churches to accomplish the work of temperance, and working through them.

Christians are required to be temperate in all things, and every Church should be a temperance scriptural society.

JOHN MITCHELL, Chairman.

Adopted without debate.

Elder Savage read the following

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

It is gratifying to be able to report this honored Institution of learning increasing in prosperity. The number of students who have matriculated during the year is one hundred and sixteen, among whom are twenty with the gospel ministry in view (eleven of this number are under the patronage of the Educa tional Board.)

The improvements made upon the grounds add greatly to the appearance of the place and indicate the advancement of the College. There is now no agent in the field, and consequently the endowment fund has not been increased since our last meeting. The College invites the patronage of the people of the state, and your committee feel that it is to our interest to accept the invitation.

R. R. SAVAGE, Chairman.

Dr. Wingate, President of the College, upon invitation made an address in connection with the report.

On motion the report was laid over, and the association adjourned to hear the conventional sermon, preached by Eld. A. McDowell, from Psalms 122: vi. "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee."

After sermon a collection was taken up for the different objects of the Baptist State Convention, amounting to $41 14.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. The discussion of the report on Wake Forest College was resumed, and participated in by Eld's. McDowell, Hufham and Owen. Adopted.

On motion adjourned till 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On reassembling the Moderator announced the following standing committees:

On *Chowan Baptist Female Institute:* R. R. Savage, G. A. Brett, J. W. Barnes.

" *Periodicals:* A. McDowell, W. C. Parker, L. T. Spiers.

" *Baptist State Convention:* R. R. Overby, B. M. Baxter, Jas Morgan.
" *Sabbath Schools:* T. J. Knapp, R. R. Felton, R. D. Simpson,
" *Temperance:* T. W, Babb. J. F. Howell, J. R. Cross.
" *Wake Forest College:* John Mitchell, W. L. Maget, L. Taylor.

Delegates to corresponding bodies:

To *Pamlico Association:* John Mitchell, J. Bunch, J. N. Hoggard.
" *Portsmouth* " C. T. Bailey, R. R. Overby, A. McDowell,
" *Eastern,* " T. J. Knapp, J. D. Hufham, T. W. Babb.
" *State Convention,* J. D. Hufham, John Mitchell, R. R. Overby R. R. Savage, J. P. Lee, A. McDowell, and any other ordained minister belonging to the Chowan Association who may be present.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The sunday schools within the bounds of the Chowan Association are in a growing and flourishing condition. Many of our churches have their hearts and hands engaged in this important work, and God is crowning their efforts with the best of consequences. Let us ascribe all honor and praise and glory to God. But while many of our churches are cooperating in this work, there are others in certain sections of this Association doing nothing. Brethren these things ought not to be. Jesus demands our cooperation in this work; our churches already engaged in this work damands it, and our offspring, our little children demand it. We are their parents, their teachers, and the great duty enjoined upon us as parents and christians and teachers is to lead them to Jesus who said "suffer little children to come unto me." Ah! brethren the day in which we live demands our aid. This is not the day of rest, not the day of donothing, but the day of labor. Once emigration flowed West-ward—but now flows Southward. All kinds of isms are being introduced into this fair land of ours. What will become of the rising generation if we, as Baptists, who hold the truth as it is Jesus, neglect them? But, brethren, notwithstanding all the opposition and all the isms with which we have to contend in your committee is happy to say that this Association has cause to rejoice. The statistics are as follows:

No. of Schools in the Association	52
" " Students	2629
" " Teachers	421
" " Volumes in library	4384
" " Conversions	53

We see by reference to the statistics that God blesses this institution as he does all those means used in the conviction, conversion and salvation of the soul. Let us labor in the Sunday School work, trusting not in what we do, but in God, and great will be the result.

Respectfully submitted.

M. C. RHODES, Chairman.

Adopted without debate.

Committee on religious exercises announced that Eld. J. M.

C. Luke would preach in the Methodist church at 3 o'clock.

Bro N. L. Shaw submitted the report on Statistics of Benevolence, which was adopted and ordered to be appended to the minutes.

Brother J. T. Waff read the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Amount in Treasury, May '69.....		$116 10
Present Contribution, " '70.....		144 60
		$260 70
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To Printing Minutes for 1869,.....	$75 00	
" P. O. Stamps and mailing same,....	20 00	
" Transcribing.....	25 00	120 00
Balance in Treasury		$140 70

Your Committee further report that they have examined your treasurers accounts and find them correct.

J. T. WAFF,
L. TAYLOR,
H. C. EDWARDS, } Com.

The report was received.

The report on Sabbath School statistics, was read, approved and ordered to be appended.

The clerk was instructed to have 2000 copies of the minutes printed and distributed.

On motion the clerk was allowed $25, for his services.

On motion Eld. Overby was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of Eld. J. D. Stokely, deceased.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due to our Heavenly Father for the harmony and peace that have characterized all our proceedings.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the church and congregation at Hertford for the hospitality with which this Association has been entertained.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to rail-road and steam-boat companies and to the officers of the stage line for return tickets.

The business of the session being completed, the Association adjourned.

Touching addresses were made by Elders Owen and Cobb.

After singing the hymn, "Hail! sweetest, dearest tie that binds," Elder Cobb led in prayer.

The Moderator then declared the Association adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, MODERATOR.

W. C. PARKER, Clerk.

Ministers and their Post Offices.

1. T. W. Babb, Gatesville,
2. C. T. Bailey, Edenton,
3. B. F. Barber, Plymouth,
4. Wells Briggs, Elizabeth cty.
5. J. B. Boone, Murfreesboro,
6. Jeremiah Bunch, Windsor,
7. E. Bunch, Mintonsville,
8. A. M. Craig, Windsor,
9. D. V. Etheridge, Edenton,
10. David Harrell, Windsor,
11. Thos. Hoggard, Colerain,
12. J. N. Hoggard, Murf'boro,
13. Ed. Howell, Gatesville,
14. J. D. Huf ham, Camden C. H
15. B. F. King, Windsor,
16. T. J. Knapp, Edenton,
17. West Leary, "
18. John P. Lee, Murfreesboro,
19. J. M. C. Luke, Plymouth,
20. A. McDowell, Murfreesboro,
21. John Mitchell, Colerain.
22. M. L. Mizzell, Windsor,
23. R. R. Overby, Elizabeth c'y,
24. Ed. Pierce, Merry Hill,
25. D. J. Roberts, Edenton,
26. M. C. Rhodes, Windsor,
27. J. J. Rochelle, Jackson.
28. D. Sanderlin, Camden C. H.
29. R. R. Savage, Murfreesb'o,
30. H. Speight, Gatesville,
31. J. A. Speight, "
32. Jesse Wheeler, South Mills,
33. H. J. White, St. Johns,
34. B. B. Williams, Colerain.

STATISTICAL

No	CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION.	NAMES OF DELEGATES
1	Aboskie,	Hertford, 1802.	W. W. Mitchel, W. Askew, A. J. Askew.
2	Ballard's Bridge,	Chowan, 1781.	R. D. Simpson, J. A. Ward, Edward Pearcy.
3	Berea.	Pasquotank, 1855.	B. F. Jinnings, Spence Wood, Miles Whitehurst.
4	Bethel,	Perquimans, 1806.	W. M. Fleetwood. W. Myers, W. L. Mardree.
5	Bethlehem,	Hertford, 1835.	A. Bass, jr, N. L. Shaw, A. J. Cobb*.
6	Buckhorn,	Hertford, 1836.	*R. R. Savage*, R. T. Barnes*, Jos. E. Warren*.
7	Capeharts,	Bertie, 1823.	*J. N. Hoggard*, J. W. White*, Jackson Roundtree.
8	Cashie,	" 1789.	*M. C. Rhodes*, D. E. Taylor,* W. G. Coggin.*
9	Cedar Branch,	Martin, 1869.	*B. F. Barber*, Stephen E. Moore.*
10	Colerain,	Bertie, 1789.	Jno. Wilson, Wm. Nowell, Thos. Beasley.*
11	Connaritsa,	" 1798.	Jno. L. Burden, A. F. Early, A. J. Dunning.
12	Cool Spring,	Gates, 1829.	J. M. Duke, J. H. Matthews,* A. Pruden.*
13	Corinth,	Northampton, 1854.	No letter or delegates; aggregate report last year.
14	Ebenezer,	Camden, 1809.	M. Sawyer, M. Whitehurst.
15	Edenton,	Chowan, 1816.	*C. T. Bailey*, R. Woodard, C M. Murden.
16	Elim,	Northampton, 1844.	R. C. Coker,* W. T. Capel.*
17	E. City,	Pasquotank, 1786.	R. *R. Overby* E. Harriss, J. M. Morgan.
18	Galatia,	Northampton. 1859.	*J. B. Boone*, J. P. Packer,* H. DeBerry.*
19	Gatesville,	Gates, 1854,	H. Hoffler, T. E. Cross.* M. L. Eure.*
20	Great Fork,	Nansemond Va. 1832.	Simon Savage,* A. T. King, J. M. Savage.
21	Gum Neck,	Tyrrell,	No letter or delegates.
22	Hamilton,	Martin, 1857.	" " "
23	Hebron,	Northampton, 1856.	J. W. Joyner, J. A. Stevenson, J. G. Joyner
24	Hertford,	Perquimans, 1854.	J. L. Long, J. Newbold, W. T. Hall.
25	Holly Grove,	Bertie, 1804.	*Jno. Mitchell*, W. J. Freeman, J W. Mitchell.*
26	Macedonia,	Chowan, 1850.	*West Leary*, P. F. White, Jos. Copeland.*
27	Mars Hill	Bertie, 1854.	*B. B. Williams*, H. A. Hobbs. A. Nowell.*
28	Meherrin,	Hertford, 1773.	*J. P. Lee*, Jesse T. Vaughan, O. Parker.*
29	Middle Swamp,	Gates, 1806.	*H. Speight*, W. Riddick, W. E Matthews.
30	Mt. Carmel,	Northampton, 1823.	S. Stevenson, W. J. Maddray, R. Stevenson.
31	Mt. Tabor,	Hertford, 1839.	W. C. Parker, J. D. Gathing,* A. M. Darden.*
32	Mt. Zion,	Tyrrell,	Tilmaw Tatum, Lem'l, Basnight,* S. A. Spruill.
33	Murfreesboro,	Hertford, 1848.	*A. McDowell*. J. R. Darden,
34	Piny Grove,	Gates, 1827.	*T W. Babb*, J. H. Parker,* J. F. Howell.
35	Pleasant Grove,	Hertford 1837.	G. C. Moore, L. Taylor, W. L. Maget.
36	Plymouth,	Washington, 1868.	*J. M.* C. *Lake*, J. E. Jackson, Job Pearce.
37	Potecasi,	Northampton. 1808.	H. C. Edwards, W. T. Bangham, G. W. Cooke.
38	Powell's Point,	Currituck, 1804,	Thos. D. Aydelott, C. T. Sawyer, S. D. Toller.
39	Providence,	" 1826.	Silas Seymore,* P. H. Morgan,* B. M. Baxter.
40	Ramoth Gilad,	Pasquotank, 1809.	T. B. Williams, A. Spence, J. S. Jones.
41	Republican,	Bertie, 1824.	*J. Bunch*, Jas. Burden, J W. Cherry.
42	Roanoke Island,	Currituck, 1807.	D. M. Etheridge, L. S. Mann, W. M. Hays.
43	Roberts Chapel,	Northampton 1848	J. H. Edwards, R R. Maddray, J. J. Vaughan.
44	Rocky Hock,	Chowan, 1848.	*T. J. Knapp*, C. D. Ellis, R R. Felton.
45	Ross' Church,	Bertie, 1804.	J. B. Steele, John Mitchell, W. H. Hughes.
46	Salem,	Pasquotank, 1790.	A. Hollewell, John Nichols, B. Berry.
47	Sandy Cross,	Gates, 1828.	W. B. S. Riddick, Willis Bunch, W. H. Manning.
48	Sandy Run,	Bertie, 1750.	J. M. Powell, W. H. Powell, H. P. Harrell.
49	Sawyer's Creek,	Camden, 1790.	W. B. Ferebee, Edwin Ferebee, T. B Bonchelle.
50	Shady Grove,	Currituck, 1839.	D. Sanderlin. No letter.
51	Sharon,	Tyrrell, 1869.	Austin Parisher,* T. E. Swam,* *J. M, C. Luke.*
52	Shiloh,	Camden, 1757.	*W. Briggs*, Jos. Berry, E. Daily.
53	Sound Side,	Tyrrell, 1831.	J. G. Brickhouse, Isaac Cooper, E. Hopkins,
54	Warwick,	Chowan, 1861.	*E. Bunch*, H. H. Hobbs, John White.
55	Whiteville Grove,	Perquimans, 1857.	W. C. Simpson, E. N. Riddick, E. Riddick.
56	White Oak,	Bertie, 1856.	*David Harrell*, N. Davis,* W, Ward.*
57	Yoppim,	Chowan, 1775.	J. R. Simpson. A. Bonner, J. T. Waff.

*Absent; ordained ministers, *Italic.*

TABLE.

CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	SABBATH WORSHIP.	Baptised	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by let.	Excommunicated	Deceased	Whites	Colored	Total	Minute Fund
W. W. Mitchell, Winton.	4th,	2	1	1	3	3	4	330		350	5 00
J. A. Ward, Edenton.	2nd,	5	2	18	10	4	5	468	69	537	4 00
M. Whitehurst, E. City.	2 & 4 Sun eve.	33	3	1		9	4	181		181	3 80
G. W. Barron, Hertford.	3rd,							287		287	4 50
J. W. Harrell, Harrellsville.	3rd,		7	2	6	2	1	193	11	204	4 00
S H. Picot, Murfreesboro.	4th & 2nd,	13	5	1	9	2		108	28	136	2 00
G. W. Cobb, Windsor.	2nd,		2		2	4	7	295	9	304	2 50
S. J. Wheeler, Windsor.	1st & 3rd,	39	7		8	1	2	223	206	429	5 00
H. Hardison, Jamesville.	2nd,							39		39	1 50
A. O. Askew, Colerain.	3rd,	12	3		12	2	6	351	7	358	3 00
A. J. Dunning, St. John's.	3rd,	34	9	3	13	1	2	283	2	285	3 00
M L. Greene, Gatesville.	1st,	26	3	1		3		191		191	2 00
								145		145	
J. N. Overton, South Mills.	1st,			1	2	6	2	87		87	2 00
W. E. Bond, Edenton.	1st, 2nd, 3rd,				13		5	107	66	173	2 50
W. T. Capel, Seaboard.	2nd,	15				2	1	77		77	1 50
A. S. Morgan, E. City.	4 & ev'y S. nt,	14	3	5	7	2	5	277		277	4 80
J. S. Coggins, Margarettsville.	2nd,	10	2		6	1		96	1	97	1 50
T. E. Cross, Gatesville.	3rd,				2		2	24		24	1 00
W. W. Knight, Suffolk Va.,	1st,	9			3		1	184	18	202	3 00
J. G. Joyner, Woodland.	3rd,	23	5	1	7	3	1	117		117	2 00
D. P, Daughtrey, Hertford.	4th,		6	2	2	1	2	62		62	1 50
J. W. Mitchell, Colerain.	1st,		6		6	1	2	90	20	110	2 00
W. H. Bonner, Edenton.	3rd,		1		1	1	1	59	2	61	1 00
M. B. Evans, Colerain.	2nd,	15	2	1	7		4	119	2	121	2 00
Oris Parker, Murfreesboro.	1st,		3		10	1	1	235	34	269	3 00
W. E. Matthews, Gatesville.	2nd,	39	2	0	1	1	4	154		154	3 00
Isaac Peele, Jackson.	4th,		1			1	2	191	8	199	2 50
T. M. Parker, Murfreesboro.	3rd, & 4th,		8	2	15	3	1	199	22	221	4 60
J. A. Spruill, Columbia.	2nd,	13				1		47		47	2 00
L. T. Spiers, Murfreesboro.	Every Sun,		5		5	1	2	42		42	2 50
J. F. Howell, Reynoldson.	4th,				5	2	2	87	51	138	2 00
W. L. Maget, St. Johns.	2nd,		4		4	2		98		98	5 00
J. E. Jackson, Plymouth.	4th,	10	6			9	1	42		42	2 00
H. C. Edwards, Murfreesboro.	2nd,	3	2	1	17	6	7	227	42	269	4 00
W. S. Harrison, Powell's Point	4th,	6			3	1		70		70	2 00
B. M. Baxter, Currituck C. H.	1st and 3rd,	27	2		2	1	3	153		153	3 00
J. R. Etheridge, South Mills.	2nd and 4th,	4	6		2	2	2	122		122	2 00
Erwin Pritchard, Windsor.	2nd,	8	1	2	7	5	4	215	21	236	3 00
W. M. Hays, Currituck C. H.	1st and 3rd,	6	1	1		7	2	99		99	2 00
Wm Boone, Murfreesboro	1st,		5		12	5	3	203	52	255	2 50
W J Webb, Edenton	1st,		7	1	8	1	8	231	11	242	3 00
J L White, Colerain	4th,		4	3	17	6	2	367	14	381	3 50
J A Howell, E City	2nd,	3	2		2	4	1	139	16	155	1 50
Jesse R Rey, Gatesville	2nd,	4			3	3	3	269		269	3 00
H P Harrell, Roxobel	4th.		7		2	4	2	212	5	217	3 00
T B Bouchelle, Camden C H	Every Sab,	20	3	4	15	8	6	405		405	5 00
Austin Parisher,	1st,							13		13	50
Sam'l Williams, Shiloh	1st,				4	30		250		250	3 00
J G Brickhouse,	2nd,		1			2		102		102	4 00
J H Relly Mintonsville	3rd,	8	6		2		2	138		138	2 00
W C Simpson, Belvedere	1st,	6	2	1	11	1	2	146	2	148	2 00
F W Ward, Windsor	3rd,	10	1	3	4	3	4	110		110	1 00
J T Waff, Edenton	4th,	51	11	7	11	2	6	185	15	200	3 50
		468	157	62	278	131	127	9.64	734	9898	$144 60

STATISTICS OF BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.	Church expenses.	Sunday School.	State Missions.	Sunday S. Board.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	W. F. College.	Education Board.	Misscellaneous.	Total.
Ahoskie.	1200 00	10 00			10 00			20 00	10 00	1250 00
Ballard's Bridge,	250 00		25 00					20 00		595 00
Bethel,	200 00	10 00	26 85							237 85
Bethlehem,	200 00		3 26			12 45		32 26	27 50	275 47
Berea,	250 00				10 44				54 44	314 88
Buckhorn,	150 00					8 00		6 75	25 00	189 75
Capeharts,	650 00		5 00			5 00		3 75		663 75
Cashie,	250 00	10 81			16 35	32 94			13 00	323 10
Cedar Branch, *										
Colerain.	255 00		9 00			27 84		6 00	7 65	305 49
Connaritsa,	144 50							5 00	64 50	214 00
Cool Spring,	100 00								10 00	110 00
Corinth,	150 00		6 00			6 00				162 00
Ebenezer, *										
Edenton,	500 00		10 00					43 00	25 00	578 00
Elim,	150 00				3 75				15 00	168 75
Elizabeth City,	600 00								30 00	630 00
Galatia,	112 00					1 57		10 00		123 57
Gatesville,	80 00									80 00
Great Fork,	107 60					2 50				110 10
Gum Neck,*										

Hertford,	180 00		14 00			15 00		5 00	55 00	269 00
Holly Grove,	117 15		11 50			39 25		110 00		277 90
Macedonia,*										
Mar's Hill,	108 65		10 20			6 60			4 35	129 80
Meherrin,	100 00		10 00							110 00
Middle Swamp,	158 50					2 35		6 00	18 05	184 90
Mt Carmel,					27 50					27 59
Mt Tabor.	272 00	2 00	13 40			13 25		13 35		314 00
Mt. Zion,	150 00									150 00
Murfreesboro'	52 75	25 36		48 00	8 05	62 00	30 00	43 59	270 00	439 75
Piny Grove,	135 00		6 00							141 00
Pleasant Grove,	185 80				7 15			60 00		252 95
Plymouth,	150 00								10 00	160 00
Potecasi.	850 00	60 00								910 00
Powell's Point, *										
Providence,	335 00	75 00	14 00							424 00
Ramoth Gilead,	300 00	10 00	45 00							355 00
Republican,	75 00		6 00		6 00					87 00
Roanoke Island,	45 00									45 00
Robert's Chapel,	150 00		5 10							155 10
Rocky Hock,	210 00									210 00
Ross' Church,	319 50					5 00				324 50
Salem,	150 00									150 00
Sandy Cross, *	175 00		8 00							183 00
Sandy Run,	192 63		10 00			10 00		10 00		222 63
Sawyer's Creek,	1100 00		62 50		11 50	62 50				1236 50
Shady Grove,										
Sharon,										
Shiloh,	225 00	30 00	25 00						50 00	330 00
Sound Side,	100 00									100 00
Warwick,	50 00	5 00								55 00
Whiteville Grove,	125 00									125 00
White Oak.*										
Yoppim,	250 00	12 00	33 33			33 33		33 34	80 00	442 00
	11736 08	250 17	360 14	48 00	100 74	345 58	30 00	428 04	669 49	13958 24

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* No Report.

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	No. Scholars	No. Teachers	Vols. Library	Conversions.	SUPERINTENDANTS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFI
Ahoskie,	2	89	23					
Ballard's Bridge,	2	80	12	150		Jas. Nowell } H. H. Hobbs }	W. J. Twine,	Edenton,
Berea,	1	60						
Bethel,	1	67	17	160		Whit. Myers,	J. W. Trotman,	Hertford,
Bethlehem,	3	99	21	190				
Buckhorn,	1	62	12			Joe. W. Barnes,	R. T. Barnes.	Murfreesboro
Capeharts,								
Cashie,	1	50	6	300		M. Gillian,	Jos. B. Spivey,	Windsor,
Colerain,								
Cedar Branch,								
Connaritsa,	2	104	18		6	Willie Dunning,	A. J. Dunning,	St. Johns.
Cool Spring,								
Corinth,								
Ebenezer,								
Edenton,	1	54	14	200				
Elim,	1							
Elizabeth City,	1	150	14	200		W. H. Weatherly,		
Galatia,	1	62	7			J. C. Fleetwood,	J. P. Parker,	Margarettevil
Gatesville,								
Great Fork,	2	100	20	100	3	J. R. Brinkley } W. W. Knight }	W. W. Knight } J. W. Harrell }	Suffolk Va,
Gum Neck.								
Hamilton,								
Hebron,	1	52	11	43	6	J. G. Joyner,	Thos. Revell,	Woodland,
Hertford,	1	47	9	120		J. M. Skinner,	P. H. Welch,	Hertford,
Holly Grove,								
Macedonia,	1	30	6	80		Joseph Copeland,	Julius E. Leary,	Edenton,
Mars Hill,	1	25	5	200				
Meherrin,								
Middle Swamp,	1	30	6	200	5	W. E. Matthews,	J. A. Rountree,	Gatesville,
Mt. Carmel,	2	70	10	75		W. J. Maddry } Jos. Maddry }	Jas. Siers } S. B. Stephenson }	Seaboard,
Mt. Tabor,	1	40	6	30		W. C. Parker,	B. F. Parker,	Murfreesboro
Mt. Zion,								
Murfreesboro,	1	115	10	200		L. T. Spiers,	G. D. Parker,	Murfreesboro
Piny Grove,	1	68	12	60		Jos. Smith,	J. F. Howell,	Reynoldson,
Pleasant Grove,	1	20	5	100				
Plymouth,								
Potecasi,	2	76	9	61				
Powell's Point,								
Providence,	1	80	10	100		J. B. Morgan,	P. H. Morgan,	Currituck C
Ramoth Gilead,	2	110	14	100		Jos. S. Jones,		South Mills,
Republican,								
Roanoke Island,	1	35	4			Wm. Hays,	Wm. M. Hays,	Currituck C
Robert's Chapel,	1	45	10	75		J. H. Edwards,	Wm. Boone.	Murfreesbor
Rocky Hock,	2	150	22	425		C. D. Ellis,	R. R. Felton,	Edenton,
Ross' Church,	2	57	7			Thos. R. White,		Colerain,
Salem,	1	42	17	100				
Sandy Cross,	1	55	6	160		W. H. Manning,	Thos. J. Riddick,	Sunsbury,
Sandy Run,	1	25	6			J. A. Tyler,	J. C. Tynes,	Roxobel,
Sawyer's Creek,	2	150	30			W. B. Ferebee } T. B. Bouchelle }	T. R. Herring,	Camdem, C.
Shady Grove,								
Shiloh,	2	160	21	450		Thos. Palmer,	Jos. Berry,	Shiloh,
Sound Side,								
Sharon,								
Warwich,								
Whiteville Grove,	1	60	10	150				
White Oak,	1	35	3	155	8	T. W. Ward,	Wm. Davis,	Windsor,
Yoppim,	1	75	17	200	25	J. T. Waff,	Jno F. Sittison,	Edenton,
	52	2629	421	4384	53			

PROCEEDINGS.

POTECASI CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON CO., N. C.,
Tuesday, May 16th, 1871.

1. The Ch wan Baptist Association assembled this day in its sixty-fifth annual session, at Potecasi Church, at 12 o'clock.

2. In the absence of Eld. C. T. Bailey, appointed at the last session for that purpose, Eld. T. J. Knapp, his alternate, proceeded to preach the Introductory Sermon from Josh. XXIII: 3d and part of 6th verse.

3. After sermon the Association adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Tuesday, May 16th, 1871.

4. The Association re-assembled at 2½ o'clock, and was opened with prayer by Eld. R. R. Savage.

5. Brethren J. A. Vann, John Wilson and Jeptha Ward were appointed a committee on Finance.

6. Brethren R. D. Simpson, A. Bonner and Jos. S. Jones were appointed a committee on Statistics of Benevolence.

7. Brethren N. L. Shaw, Joshua Fleetwood and Wm. Pritchard were appointed a committee on Sabbath School Statistics.

8. Brethren A. J. Cobb and W. H. Riddick were appointed assistant clerks.

9. Bro. J. A. Delke alternated with the clerk in reading the letters from the churches.

10. The Association completed its organization by re-electing Dr. G. C. Moore, Moderator; W. C. Parker, Clerk; W. W. Mitchell, Treasurer.

11. The Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren and to messengers from corresponding Associations

to seats with us, which was accepted by the following brethren: Elder Reuben Jones and brother Solomon Bradshaw, from Virginia, Portsmouth Association; Elder F. M. Jordan, from Beulah Association; Elder W. M. Wingate, D. D., President of Wake Forest College, and brother J. H. Mills, Editor *Biblical Recorder*, from Central Association; Elder S. Worrell, from Baltimore.

12. On motion of bro. N. L. Shaw, the pastor and deacons of this church were appointed a committee on Religious Exercises.

13. On motion of Eld. Overby, the Association adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9½ o'clock A. M. Prayer by Eld. F. M. Jordan.

Eld. Durham preached in the grove at 3 P. M.

MORNING SESSION.

Wednesday, May 17th, 1871.

14. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder S. Worrell. The roll was called.

15. On motion of bro. J. A. Delke, a committee of three was appointed to inquire into the condition of those churches that have not been represented in this body for several years past. Elders Luke, Bunch and Barber constitute the committee.

16. Eld. Luke, appointed at our last session to call a presbytery to examine the credentials of Gum Neck Church, stated that no such organization exists; whereupon, it was ordered, by motion, to drop its name from the list of churches.

17. Brethren T. D. Boushall, W. H. Manning and D. P. Daughtrey were appointed a committee to nominate ministers to preach Introductory and Conventional Sermons at the next session of this body.

18. On motion of Eld. Overby, it was decided to hold the next session of this Association with the Church at Elizabeth City, to commence on Tuesday before the fourth Sabbath in May 1872.

19. The committee on Religious Exercises announced that Elders Overby and Tuttle would preach at the stand this morning.

20. Elder A. McDowell read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The importance of the periodical press has long been felt and to some extent appreciated, but it is constantly becoming more and more influential. The daily or weekly newspaper is now a necessity to almost every family. The extension of mail facilities and the cheapness of postage render this the easiest, cheapest and most successful means of communicating with the mass of the people; hence every party, society and association has its organ for disseminating its principles and promoting its interests. The obligation to sustain these organs is in proportion to the importance of the principles they advocate. We, the members of this Association, believe the principles advocated by our denominational organs to be eminently important, because eminently scriptural; hence it is our duty to sustain them as a means of promulgating and defending our principles. But personal interest, no less than a sense of duty, should prompt us to give them a generous support; for they contain information of special importance to ourselves and our families, much of which could not be obtained from any other source.

We therefore advise all heads of families and others, who have not legitimate access to these papers, to subscribe for—

1. "Biblical Recorder," Raleigh, N. C. Subscription one year, $2 50.

2. "Home & Foreign Journal," Richmond, Va. Subscription one year, 50 cents.

3. "Kind Words," Memphis, Tenn. Single copy one year, 50 cents. Ten and upwards, each, 25 cents.

Respectfully submitted,

A. McDOWELL, Chairman.

The report was discussed by Elders McDowell, H. Speight, Hutham, Overby, Babb, Knapp, Luke, Jones and brethren Delke and Shaw, and adopted.

21. Eld. Savage submitted the following:

Committee on Chowan Baptist Female Institute report the following facts:

This school has been in successful operation during the past year. Ninety-eight students have matriculated, of whom ninety are in attendance at present; the health of the students has continued good, and their progress is encouraging. The Faculty are

such as have been tried and found faithful and efficient, and all its departments are managed in a satisfactory manner.

R. R. SAVAGE, Chairman.

Addresses were made by Elders Savage, McDowell, Wingate, Overby, Hufham, Jones and Luke. Pending the discussion of the report, the Association adjourned for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Wednesday, May 17th, 1871.

22. On re-assembling the discussion of the report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute was resumed, and after being participated in by Elder Bailey and brother Delke, the report was adopted.

23. On motion the report on Baptist State Convention was deferred until to-morrow morning.

24. Eld. Babb offered the following

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Our churches do not seem to be using, to the desired extent, the zealous exertions which are required to forward the interests of Temperance, and which would tend so much to promote the general welfare of the country, and to increase Christian influence with the world.

We would earnestly urge upon our brethren the necessity of lending their individual aid in advancing the temperance cause. Temperance societies, no doubt, have done much good; but Christians should not so far forget their scriptural duties as to think they have no part in this great work.

T. W. BABB, Chairman.

After a discussion by Elders Babb, Luke and F. M. Jordan, the report was adopted.

25. Opportunity was granted Eld. Bailey to present the claims of Edenton Church, whose house of worship was recently destroyed by fire. He made a forcible appeal and collected one hundred and three dollars in cash.

26. Eld. Luke presented the claims of Plymouth Church, which has incurred a debt of three hundred dollars in build-

ing its house of worship. Amount of collection, sixty-eight dollars.

27. Eld. T. J. Knapp presented the following

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The report on Sunday Schools must necessarily be limited. Many eulogies have been pronounced on the institution, and much labor and means have been spent in that direction. It has accomplished a vast amount of good, and is destined to do greater, for the cause is as yet in its infancy, but is growing in efficiency and usefulness.

The number of Sunday School scholars in the Baptist churches is about fourteen hundred thousand, and one hundred and thirty thousand gratuitous teachers are engaged in teaching these children; laboring to impart scriptural information, religious instruction, the knowledge of Him whom to know is life eternal.

Not one of these teachers believes that the faith of a parent makes the child a Christian, or that sprinkling the child regenerates it, or that the child belongs to the church because its parents are members; but that all children need instructing and are likely to become Christians just in proportion as that instruction is wise, constant and faithful.

We rejoice that teachers are beginning to comprehend the true end of teaching; that it is not a filling in, a binding of ineradicable prejudices to a particular sect or creed; but a drawing out, bringing his understanding, conscience and heart into earnest, vigorous action on religious and moral truths, to excite and cherish in him spiritual life, so that he may discern and approve for himself what is everlastingly right and good.

Acting thus upon the high and christian principle that if some truths are to be taught, then all should be, they place the Bible above creeds, disciplines and articles of faith; above the opinions of men, above tradition—the Bible, the whole of it, and nothing but the Bible as a rule of faith and action.

We hold that the great commission binds every teacher to lead the children to Christ, and when they believe in Him, labor with all the powers they possess to make these converts intelligent, devoted Baptists.

Many of the brethren in this Association have adopted as their motto "Much or Nothing," and because they cannot have a large school, they will have none; because they cannot keep it up during the winter they never commence; but we would suggest that a little more love for souls and a little more liberality in making the church buildings comfortable, will meet the exigency of the case, and eternity only can develop the beneficial results.

No. of schools in the Association	57
Students	2707
Teachers	429
Volumes in library	4350
Conversions	84
Papers taken	117

Nine churches having no schools.

T. JUDSON KNAPP, Chairman.

Pending the adoption of the report, addresses were delivered by brethren Delke, Mills, F. M. Jordan, Babb and Williams.

28. Brother Delke introduced the following resolution:

In view of the increasing demands of Southern Baptist Sunday Schools,

Resolved, That we recognize the expediency of establishing a Sabbath School paper in our own State, auxiliary to "Kind Words."

The resolution was discussed by Elds. Knapp and Babb, and brother Delke, and lost.

Elders Hufham and Jordan preached at the stand.

29. On motion the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock. Prayer by Eld. Knapp.

MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, May 18th, 1871.

30. At 9 o'clock A. M. the Association was opened with prayer by Eld. David Harrell.

31. Eld. J. Bunch, of the committee appointed last session to settle the accounts of the Association with the former treasurer, made the following report:

S. J. WHEELER,

To Chowan Baptist Association. *Dr.*

May 1869. To amount in the treasury.....		$130 06
Credit.		
By cash for printing minutes of 1868....	$70 00	
" " paid B. W. Spillman for freight from Raleigh to Weldon.....	3 50	
Transcribing minutes of 1865.....	25 00	
" " " 1868.....	25 00	
Expenses incurred in getting minutes of 1865.....	7 00	130 50
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We, the undersigned, have examined the account of S. J. Wheeler, late treasurer of the Chowan Association, and find a balance due the treasurer of forty-four cents as above stated.

By referring to the minutes of 1869, Dr. Wheeler is charged with $130 06, which appears to be the correct amount brought from the preceding year. But in making up the account of 1869, as reported in the minutes of that year, he seems to have been charged also with $116 10, sent up to the Association at Bethlehem, when in fact his successor received it and accounted for it. (See minutes of 1870.) All of which we respectfully submit as our report.

JEREMIAH BUNCH,
J. S. TAYLOR, } Com.
J. B. SPIVEY,

On motion of Eld. McDowell, the report was received, and the present treasurer was instructed to pay the balance due.

32. The committee on Finance submitted the following

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Amount in treasury May 1870.....		$140 70
Present contribution.....		138 75
CONTRA.		$279 45
To printing minutes of 1870.....	$65 00	
P. O. stamps and mailing same.....	20 00	
Transcribing.....	25 00	110 00
Amount in Treasury.....		$169 45

Your committee further report that they have examined the treasurer's accounts and find them correct.

JNO. A. VANN,
JNO. WILSON, } Com.
J. WARD,

33. The committee on Statistics of Benevolence, submitted their report, which was received. (See appendix B.)

34. On motion of brother Delke, the clerk was instructed to keep the churches supplied with printed forms for making out statistical reports.

35. Brother N. L. Shaw offered the report on Sabbath School Statistics. (See appendix C.)

36. The report on Baptist State Convention was read by Eld. Overby as follows:

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

If we are not mistaken in the signs of the times, the prospect for the Convention is decidedly hopeful. At the last session of that body, though the attendance was much larger than usual, there was for a time a general feeling of despondency. We had tried to carry on the works of the Convention with agents and without them; had done little with them and nothing without them, showing conclusively that success is not dependent on agencies alone. To them must be added the hearty co-operation of pastors and the blessing of God upon them all. Then success is sure.

We think that this was the general feeling at the late session of the Convention. After much consultation and earnest prayer for the direction of the Holy Spirit, Elder J. D. Hufham was unanimously elected Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, which office he accepted. With nothing to encourage him but the promises of God and the pledges of co-operation on the part of the delegates, he entered on his work and right faithfully has he prosecuted it.

There was an old debt of considerable amount hanging over both the Boards of the Convention and hindering their progress. These debts necessarily occupied much of the time and attention of the Corresponding Secretary, and we are happy to say that they are almost paid off.

Six missionaries have been employed in the home field. Two of these have been employed in the destitute portions of the Pamlico Association. One of these reports as follows: Traveled 1000 miles; preached 88 sermons; delivered 20 addresses; held 15 prayer meetings; professed conversions 41; baptisms 20. The Secretary reports that fifty persons have been baptized and one church constituted in connection with his labors and those of the missionaries. We are also in harmonious co-operation with the Domestic Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

It is hoped that the debts of the Education Board will be paid off by the close of the present session, and that by the adoption of the club system for the beneficiaries a much larger number can

be received for the fall session. Those who are now in attendance are doing well and give promise of usefulness.

We are firmly convinced that our Secretary can do but little without the hearty co-operation of the pastors. Let this co-operation be active and systematic. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the pastors and deacons of this body be requested to bring the objects of the Convention before their churches, and make collections *at least* once in three months.

R. R. OVERBY, Chairman.

After addresses by Elders Overby and Hufham, on motion the rules were suspended, and a collection taken up for State Missions, amounting to $68 83.

37. On motion the regular order of business was resumed, and Eld. T. W. Babb proceeded to preach the Conventional Sermon from 2d Corinthians IX: 8.

After sermon a collection was taken up for the Education Board, amounting to $19 26.

Elders Bailey and Wescott preached at the stand.

38. On motion the Association adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Thursday, May 18*th*, 1871.

39. The Body reassembled at 3 o'clock P. M.

40. The vote on the adoption of the report on the Baptist State Convention was taken by rising and sitting. It was unanimously adopted, all the delegates present voting to sustain the resolution contained in the report.

41. On motion of Eld. McDowell, the treasurer was instructed, after paying the expenses of the present Association, to appropriate the funds on hand to State Missions, Foreign Missions and Educational Board.

42. The Moderator announced the following standing committees:

On Chowan Baptist Female Institute: C. T. Bailey, R. D. Simpson, W. Fleetwood.

Baptist State Convention: T. J. Knapp, C. D. Ellis, W. H. Manning.

Wake Forest College: T. W. Babb, J. F. Howell, M. L. Eure.

Sabbath Schools: J. A. Delke, Joshua Fleetwood, L. T. Spiers.

Temperance: J. P. Lee, A. Pruden, H. Hoffler.

Messengers to corresponding bodies:

To Portsmouth Association: A. McDowell, R. R. Savage, J. P. Lee.

To Pamlico Association: J. Bunch, B. B. Williams, T. W. Babb.

To Eastern Association: T. J. Knapp, J. N. Hoggard, R. R. Overby.

To Baptist State Convention: All of the ordained ministers belonging to this Association who may be present.

43. The committee appointed to nominate preachers of Introductory and Conventional Sermons at the next session of this Association, made the following report:

To preach Introductory Sermon: Elder R. R. Savage. Alternate: Elder J. N. Hoggard. To preach Conventional Sermon: John Mitchell. Alternate: J. P. Lee.

The report was adopted.

44. Brother Langly Taylor read the

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

The Committee appointed to report on Wake Forest College are glad to learn that the College is in prosperous condition. One hundred and four students have matriculated during the present session; eighty-seven of them are now in attendance, and with the reduced rates of board, the number, it is to be hoped, will largely increase. Your committee would especially call the attention of the Association to the successful operation of the club system, which has recently been introduced. Stringent as are the times, the facilities for educating young men at Wake Forest are ample.

Respectfully submitted,

L. TAYLOR, Chairman.

The report was discussed by Elders Wingate, Bailey, McDowell, Knapp, Savage, Hutham, brother Delke, and adopted.

45. On motion, the clerk was instructed to have 2,500 copies of the minutes printed and distributed among the churches, and that the usual compensation be made him for his services.

46. Elder Bailey introduced the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, we have heard of the extreme illness of our highly esteemed and aged brother, Charles Skinner, Sr.,

Be it resolved, That the sympathy and christian regards of this Association be tendered brother Skinner and his family in this hour of disease and suffering, and that we pray the Father's blessed presence and comfort in his behalf.

47. On motion of brother Delke the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due to our Heavenly Father for the harmony and peace that have characterized our proceedings.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the church and congregation at Poteeasi for the hospitality with which this Association has been entertained.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to railroad and steamboat companies for return tickets.

Eld. Reuben Jones preached at the stand at 3½ P. M.

48. The business of the session being completed, on motion, the Association adjourned. Elder Bailey led in prayer. The delegates united in shaking hands and singing the hymn, "Shall we gather at the river;" after which the Moderator declared the body adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

W. C. PARKER, Clerk.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

IN THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1 BABB, T. W.....Gatesville.
2 BAILEY, C. T.....Edenton.
3 BARBER, B. F.....Williamston.
4 BRIGGS, WELLS.....Elizabeth City.
5 BOONE, J. B.....Murfreesboro'.
6 BUNCH, JEREMIAH.....Windsor.
7 BUNCH, E.....Mintonsville.
8 CRAIG, A. M.....Windsor.
9 ETHERIDGE, D. V.....Edenton.
10 HARRELL, DAVID.....Windsor.
11 HOGGARD, THOS.....Colerain.
12 HOGGARD, J. N.....Murfreesboro'.
13 HOWELL, ED.....Gatesville.
14 HUFHAM, J. D.....Warsaw.
15 KING, B. F.....Windsor.
16 KNAPP, T. JUDSON.....Edenton.
17 LEARY, WEST.....Edenton.
18 LEE, JOHN P.....Murfreesboro'.
19 LUKE, J. M. C.....Hertford.
20 McDOWELL, A.....Murfreesboro'.
21 MITCHELL, JOHN.....Pitch Landing.
22 MIZZELL, M. L.....Windsor.
23 OVERBY, R. R.....Elizabeth City.
24 PIERCE, ED.....Merry Hill.
25 ROBERTS, D. J.....Edenton.
26 RHODES, M. C.....Roanoke Island.
27 ROCHELLE, J. J.....Jackson.
28 SANDERLIN, D.....Camden C. H.
29 SPEIGHT, HENRY.....Gatesville.
30 SPEIGHT, J. A.....Gatesville.
31 SAVAGE, R. R.....Murfreesboro'.
32 WHITE, H. J.....St. Johns.
33 WILLIAMS, B. B.....Colerain.

APPENDIX B.—FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Church Expenses.	Sunday School.	State Missions.	Sunday School Board.	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions.	Wake Forest College.	Education Board.	Associational Fund.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Ahoskie,	$ 400 00		$ 10 00					$ 37 00	$ 5 00	$ 23 25	$ 475 25
Ballard's Bridge,	175 00				$ 25 00	$ 3 50		25 00	4 00	125 00	367 50
Berea,	250 00								3 00		253 00
Bethel,	250 00	$ 17 50			5 00		$ 16 00		4 50	25 00	318 00
Bethlehem,	200 00	5 00	8 50			9 50	26 24	23 27	4 00		275 51
Buckhorn,	160 00	3 00	15 00			10 00		45 00	3 00		225 00
Capehart's,	225 00		4 00			6 00		4 00	2 50		241 50
Cashie,	175 00				9 00	10 12			5 00		199 12
Cedar Branch,	Not Re-	ported.							1 00		1 00
Colerain,	185 00		5 00			10 00		8 00	8 00	12 00	218 00
Connaritsa,	100 00		10 00					13 90	8 00	15 00	141 90
Cool Spring,	100 00								2 00		102 00
Corinth,	150 00		5 00			5 69			2 50		163 19
Ebenezer,	Not Re-	ported.							2 00		2 00
Edenton,	625 00								2 00	75 00	702 00
Elim,	156 00		1 08					1 08	1 50		159 66
Elizabeth City,	Not Re-	ported.							3 00		3 00
Gabalia,	110 00	5 00	4 55						2 00		121 55
Gatesville,	100 00		1 00			1 00		1 00	2 00		105 00
Great Fork,	125 00								3 00		128 00
Hamilton,	Not Re-	presented									
Hebron,	540 00		3 00						2 00		545 00
Hertford,	250 00		14 00			15 00			1 50		280 50
Holly Grove,	126 25		80 00		12 50	39 00		36 70	2 00	100 00	346 45
Macedonia,	Not Re-	presented									
Mars Hill,	111 50		6 22			5 65			3 00		125 37
Meherrin,	160 00		6 70						3 00		169 70
Middle Swamp,	150 00	1 00	10 00						3 00		164 00
Mt Carmel,	Not Re-	ported							2 50		2 50
Mt. Tabor,	186 00	5 00				5 75		101 63	4 00	15 00	317 38
Mt. Zion,	203 50	16 60							2 00	56 60	278 70
Murfreesboro',	59 85	70 00	37 00	$ 12 00		98 65		37 00	2 50	162 00	479 00
Pitt Grove,	136 00		18 00	4 00		4 00	4 00	4 00	2 00		172 00

Pleasant Grove,	148 20		3 92			3 92		90 00	5 00		251 04
Plymouth,									2 00		2 00
Potecasi,	650 00	10 00	6 00						4 00		670 00
Powell's Point,									1 00		1 00
Providence,	250 00		33 00						3 00		286 00
Ramoth Gilead,	250 00		30 00			40 00			3 00		323 00
Republican,	90 00		6 00			6 00			3 00		105 00
Robert's Chapel,	900 00	6 50	3 50			3 50			2 50		936 00
Rocky Hock,	250 00	28 00							3 00		281 00
Ross' Church,	125 00								2 50		127 50
Salem,	Not Re-	present'd									
Sandy Cross,	185 00								3 00	17 15	205 15
Sandy Run,	223 00		7 33			7 33		7 34	3 00		248 00
Sawyer's Creek,	1 075 00	50 00	85 00			19 50		54 00	5 00	4 00	1,328 50
Shady Grove,	Not Re-	ported.							1 00		1 00
Sharon,	Not Re-	ported.							75		75
Shiloh,	Not Re-	ported.									
Sound Side,	100 00								4 00		104 00
Warwick,	50 00		3 75		4 91				2 00		60 66
Whiteville Grove,									2 50		2 50
White Oak,									1 50		1 50
Yeppim,	225 00	18 00	66 63			14 51		8 51	3 50	225 00	561 15
56	$9,950 30	$285 60	$434 18	$16 00	$56 44	$317 62	$46 24	$502 43	$138 75	$ 892 00	$12,589 53

APPENDIX C.—SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	No. Scholars.	No. Teachers.	Vols. in Library.	No. papers taken. *	Months kept open. *	Conversions.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES,
Ahoskie,	4	138	29	280			30		
Ballard's Bridge,	2	116	12	102				J. W. Nowell, Humphrey Griffin,	J. H. Hobbs, A. M. Boyce, Edenton.
Berea,	3	100	12					Wilson Davis, Spencer Wood, J. Harriss,	
Bethel,	1	64	16					A. B. Adkins, T. Q. Copeland,	A. B. Adkins, Pitch Landing.
Bethlehem,	3	75	12	185				L. S. Davis,	
Buckhorn,	1	52	12	20				J. H. Picot,	R. T. Barnes, Murfreesboro'.
Capeharts,		No	rep	ort.					
Cashie,	1	25	6	300				M. Gilliam,	D. E. Taylor, Windsor.
Cedar Branch.		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Colerain,		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Connaritsa,		65	10					W. Dunning,	W. Dunning, St. Johns.
Cool Spring,	1	50	6						
Corinth,	1	37	6	150					
Ebenezer,		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Edenton,	1	70	20					C. T. Bailey,	
Elim,	1	35	7	73				B. E. Stevenson,	Mrs. H. A. Capel, Garysburg.
Elizabeth City.	1	150	10	100				W. H. Weatherly,	
Galatia,	3	113	13	100	11		3	K. Davis,	J. H. Deberry, Margaretsville.
Gatesville,		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Great Fork,	2	75	15	100			4	S. Savage, W. W. Knight,	J. L. Savage, W. W. Knight, Suffolk, Va.
Hamilton,		Not	rep	rese	nt	ed			
Hebron,		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Hertford,	1	34	8	100				J. M. Skinner,	P. H. Welch, Hertford.
Holly Grove,	1	50	4					A. O. Askew,	
Macedonia,		Not	rep	rese	nt	ed			
Mars Hill,	1	40	5	300				H. A. Hobbs,	
Meherrin,		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Middle Swamp,	1	30	5	175				W. H. Riddick,	S. J. Roundtree, Gatesville.
Mt. Carmel,	2	50	10	100				Samuel Pruden,	James Sears, Seaboard.
Mt. Tabor,	2	60	10		16	12	10	W. C. Parker,	B. F. Parker, J. T. Griffith.
Mt. Zion,	1	22	6	50				J. A. Spruill,	J. B. Combs, Columbia.
Murfreesboro',	1	105	10	200				L. T. Spiers,	G. D. Parker, Murfreesboro'.
Piny Grove,	1	50	10	60			8	Joseph Smith,	J. F. Howell, Reynoldson.
Pleasant Grove,	1	50	9	40				J. G. Moore,	S. V. Butler, St. Johns.
Plymouth,	1	35	5	150				J. E. Jackson,	F. Jackson, Plymouth.
Potecasi,	2	60	10	90				J. E. Maget, W. Mann,	G. W. Cooke, Potecasi.
Powell's Point,	1	30	5					A. Gibson,	H. H. Harrison, Powell's
Providence,	1	40	6					L. H. Babb,	[Point.
Ramoth Gilead,	1	75	8	100					
Republican,	2	75	14	50	10			W. H. Bunch,	W Pritchard, Windsor.
Robert's Chapel,	1	60	9	50				William Boone,	
Rocky Hock,	2	166	25	480				C. D. Ellis, E. Bynum,	B. L. Evans, R. R. Felton, Edenton.
Ross' Church,	2	70	9					Starkey Evans,	T. P. Evans, Colerain.
Salem,		Not	rep	rese	nt'd				
Sandy Cross,	1	44	10	200				W. H. Manning.	
Sandy Run,		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Sawyer's Creek,	1	75	16	300	80			Wilson Ferebee,	J. Trafton, Camden C. H.
Shady Grove,	1	40	4						
Sharon,		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Shiloh,		Not	rep	rese	nt	ed			
Sound Side,	1	50	6						
Warwick,	1	30	6	75				J. Wiggins,	J. H. Kelly, Mintonsville.
Whiteville Grove,	1	60	9	150			9	John Turner,	E. Simpson, Belvidere.
White Oak,		No	sch	ool	rep	ort	ed		
Yoppim,	1	60	12	180				J. T. Waff,	J. T. Sittison, Edenton.
	58	2626	417	4330	117	12	64		

*Report incomplete.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Number.	CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION.	SABBATHS OF PREACHING	Additions.			Diminutions			White Males.	W. Females.	Total Whites.	Col. Members.	Total.	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.
				Baptism.	Letter.	Restor'n.	Letter.	Exclus'n.	Death.							
1	Ahoskie,	Hertford, 1802,	4th,	41	2	3	6	4	3	145	237	382		382	o. Mitchell,...	W. W. Mitchelll, Winton,...
2	Ballard's Bridge,	Chowan, 1781,	2nd,	37	4	4	10	6	5			490	69	559	hn Mitchell,...	N. L. Shaw, Harrellsville,
3	Berea,	Pasquotank, 1855.	2d and 4t h,				1	8	7	66	115	181		181	R. Savage,	J. H. Picot, Murfreesboro',
4	Bethel,	Perquimans, 1806,	3d,	2	1	1		26	10			246		246	N. Hoggard,...	G. W. Cobb, Windsor,
5	Bethlehem,	Hertford, 1835,	2d,	11	3	3	19	4	6			206	1	207	Bunch,	S. J. Wheeler, Windsor,
6	Buckhorn,	Hertford, 1836,	4th and 2d,		3	1	11		4			101	20	121	F. Barber,	A. L. Mizzell, Jamesville,
7	Capehart's,	Bertie, 1823,	2d,	31	9	2	4	6	2			320	11	331	B. Williams,	W. B. Watford, Colerain,
8	Cashie,	Bertie, 1798,	1st and 3d,	2	7	1	6		3			228	201	429	os. Hoggard...	A. J. Dunning, St. Johns,
9	Cedar Branch,	Martin, 1869,	2d,	14				9				45		45	P. Lee,	M. L. Green, Gatesville,
10	Colerain,	Bertie, 1789,	3d,		5		9	2	3			342	7	349	Bunch,	A. Vann, Woodland,
11	Connaritsa,	Bertie, 1798,	3d,	12	5	1	7		4			295	2	297	. D. Pritchard,	J. N. Overton, South Mills,
12	Cool Spring,	Gates, 1829,	1st,		2		4	2	2			184		184	T. Bailey,	T. M. Small, Edenton,
13	Corinth,	Northampton, 1854,	3d,	19	3	2	1	11	5			138	2	140	P. Lee,	J. Barham, Seaboard,
14	Ebenezer,	Camden, 1829,	2d,	4		4		10	2			71		71	R. Overby,	
15	Edenton,	Chowan, 1816,	Every Sunday	30	2	3	4	2	1			136		136	R. Savage,	J. E. Coggins, Margarettsville,
16	Elim,	Northampton, 1844,	2d,	8	1	1			2	19	63	82		82	P. Lee,	M. L. Eure, Gatesville,
17	Elizabeth City,	Pasquotank, 1786,	Every Sunday											90	R. Owen,	W. W. Knight, Suffolk, Va.,
18	Galatia,	Northampton, 1859,	2d and 4th,	1	6		3	1				160		160		
19	Gatesville,	Gates, 1854,	3d,	9	3			1	1	16	20	36		36	N. Hoggard, ..	J. G. Joyner. Woodland,
20	Great Fork,	Nansemond, Va., 1832,	1st,	5	5		3		1			181	18	199	M. C. Luke,...	P. H. Welch, Hertford,
21	Hamilton,	Martin, 1857,													hn Mitchell,...	J. W. Mitchell, Pitch Landing,
22	Hebron,	Northampton, 1856,	3d,		2		3		1			115		115	J. Leary,	W. H. Bonner, Edenton,
23	Hertford,	Perquimans, 1854,	1st,		2		5	1				58		58	B. Williams,...	M. B. Evans, Colerain,
24	Holly Grove,	Bertie, 1804.	1st,		2		4		1			89	19	108	N. Hoggard,...	Oris Parker, Murfreesboro',
25	Macedonia,	Chowan, 1850,	3d,									59	2	61	W. Babb,	W. E Matthews, Gatesville,
26	Mars Hill,	Bertie, 1854,	2d,		2		1		1			119	2	121	N. Hoggard, ..	J. Peele, Jackson,
27	Meherrin,	Hertford, 1773,	1st,	13			4	2	7			241	28	269	R. Savage,	T. M. Parker. Murfreesboro',
28	Middle Swamp,	Gates, 1806,	2d,		1		4	4	4			143		143	Pastor,	J. A. Sprnill, Columbia,
29	Mt. Carmel,	Northampton, 1823,	4th,		4	1	5	2	1			191	5	196	J McDowell,...	L. T. Spiers, Murfreesboro',
30	Mt. Tabor,	Hertford, 1833,	3d and 4th,	19	6		6	3	5			209	20	229	W. Babb, ..	J. F. Howell, Reynoldson,
31	Mt. Zion,	Tyrrell,	2d,	1	1	1		1				47		47	no. Mitchell,...	W. C. Dunning, St. Johns
32	Murfreesboro',	Hertford, 1848,	Every Sunday	3			3	1	1			40		40	Pastor,	J. E. Jackson, Plymouth,
33	Piny Grove,	Gates, 1827,	4th,	14	9		26	2	2			106	25	131	N. Hoggard,...	H C. Edwards, Potecasi,
34	Pleasant Grove,	Hertford, 1837,	2d,		5				2			101		101	J. Briggs,	W. S. Harrison, Powell's Point,
35	Plymouth,	Washington, 1868,		5			8	5	1	13	20	33		33	W. Babb,	B. M. Baxter, Currituck C. H.,
36	Potecasi,	Northampton, 1808.	2d,	7			2	1	9			225	42	267	M. C. Luke,...	J. R. Etheridge, Rosedale,
37	Powell's Point,	Currituck, 1804,	4th,					1		30	40	70		70	Bunch,	I. Pritchard, Windsor,
38	Providence,	Currituck, 1826,			6		4	4		60	80	140		140		
39	Ramoth Gilead,	Pasquotank, 1809,	2d and 4th,	38	2	3		2	5			156		156	R. Savage,	Wm. Boone, Murfreesboro',
40	Republican,	Bertie, 1834,	2d,	5		2	7	14	3			206	16	222	J. Knapp,	W. F. Boyce. Edenton,
41	Roanoke Island,	Currituck, 1807.										99		99	hos. Hoggard,...	J. S. White. Colerain,
42	Robert's Chapel,	Northampton, 1848,	1st,	7	2	4		1	4			202	52	254	Speight,	
43	Rocky Hock,	Chowan, 1848,	1st,	31	17	1	5	2	5			261	2	263	J. Knapp,	J. R. Key, Gatesville,
44	Ross' Church,	Bertie, 1804,	4th,	13	4	5	7	22	6	109	250	359	13	372	Bunch,	H. P. Harrell, Roxobel,
45	Salem,	Pasquotank, 1790,	1st,									139	16	155	R. Overby,	T. B Boushall, Camden C. H,
46	Sandy Cross,	Gates, 1828,	2d,	9	4		3	2				278		278	Sanderlin,	B. C. Walker, Currituck C. H.,
47	Sandy Run,	Bertie, 1750,	4th,	21	2		4	1	3			214	5	219	R. Laurence,	A. Parisher, Columbia,
48	Sawyer's Creek,	Camden, 1790.	Every Sunday	1	7	1	3	5	4	105	249	354		354	W. Babb,	S. Williams, Shiloh,
49	Shady Grove,	Currituck, 1829,	2d,							16	18	34		34	R. Laurence,	J. G. Brickhouse, Columbia,
50	Sharon,	Tyrrell, 1869,	1st,									12	1	13	Bunch,	J. H. Kelly, Mintonsville,
51	Shiloh,	Camden, 1757,	1st,									250		250	Speight,	W. C. Simpson, Belvidere,
52	Sound Side,	Tyrrell, 1831,	2d,	15	3	2			4	34	81	115		115	Harrell,	F. W. Ward, Windsor,
53	Warwick,	Chowan, 1861,	3d,		3		2	5	5			128		128	J. Knapp,	J T. Waff, Edenton,
54	Whiteville Grove,	Perquimans, 1857,	1st,	24			8		4			160	2	162		
55	White Oak,	Bertie, 1856,	3d and 2d,				6	47	4			39	4	43		
56	Yoppim,	Chowan, 1775,	4th,		3	1	2	4	4			179	13	192		
				457	138	47	210	224	147			8,893	543	9,436		

PROCEEDINGS.

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BAPTIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., }
Tuesday, May 21st, 1872. }

1. The Chowan Baptist Association met in its sixty-sixth annual session this day with the Church at Elizabeth City.

2. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Eld. R. R. Savage from Rom. VIII: 6, "But to be spiritually minded is life and peace."

3. After sermon the Association adjourned for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Tuesday, May 21st, 1872.

4. The Association reassembled at 2 o'clock, and was opened with prayer by Eld. B. B. Williams.

5. Brethren D. P. Daughtrey, J. B. Beasley and W. Myers were appointed a Committee on Finance.

6. Brethren J. A. Delke, J. S. Jones and J. F. Howell sat as Committee on Sabbath School Statistics.

7. Brethen J. T. Waff, W. S. Tayloe and N. L. Shaw were appointed a Committee on Statistics of Benevolence.

8. Brethren A. J. Cobb and L. W. Babb assisted the Clerk.

9. The organization of the Association was completed by re-electing Dr. G. C. Moore, Moderator; W. C. Parker, Clerk; W. W. Mitchell, Treasurer.

10. On motion, the Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren and to messengers from corresponding bodies to seats with us which was accepted by the following brerhren: Elder G. W. Sanderlin, from Maryland Union Baptist Association; Elder C. J. Nelson, from Pamlico Association; Elder W. M. Wingate, D. D., President of Wake Forest College, from Central Association; Elder W. D. Pritchard, from Portsmouth, Va. Association; Elder A. F. Redd. Missionary S. S. Board N. C. Baptist State Convention; Elder E. Bradford, from Accomac, Va. Association.

11. On motion, the letter of Great Fork, asking for dismission from this body, was referred to a Committee consisting of Prof. J. A. Delke, and brethren John Wilson and D. Tayloe.

12. On motion of Prof. Delke, the letter of Sharon was referred to a Committee consisting of Elders R. R. Overby, John Mitchell and J. M. C. Luke.

13. A letter from the church at Dudley's Grove, Hertford County, asking admission into this body, was referred to a Committee consisting of Elder Jno. Mitchell, and brethren Willie Dunning and John Burden.

14. A similar letter from the church at Great Hope, Perquimans County was referred to Elders Knapp, Leary and Williams, who submitted a report, favoring its receipt. The report was received, and the right hand of fellowship extended to its representative by the Moderator.

15. The letter from Roanoke Island, asking information as to the reception of a member into church by letter, was, on motion referred to a Committee consisting of Elders T. W. Babb, E. Bunch and Trezevant Harrison.

16. On motion, the Pastor and Deacons of this church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises, during the sitting of this body.

17. Elder John Mitchell, for the Committee on the letter from Dudley's Grove, reported recommending its reception. The report was received, and

the right hand of fellowship extended by the Moderator.

18. On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock. Prayer by Elder E. Bradford.

Preaching in the Baptist and Methodist churches, at 8 o'clock, P. M., by Elders Bradford and Knapp.

MORNING SESSION.

Wednesday, May 22nd, 1872.

19. The Association met at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Dr. Wingate. The roll was called.

20. Rev. A. P. Repton, D. D., from Norfolk, Va., Rev. C. Durham, from Pamlico Association, Brother J. J. Biggs, from Baltimore, reported themselves as visiting brethren, and were welcomed to seats by the Moderator.

21. On motion, it was decided to hold the next session of the Association with the church at Comaritsa, Bertie county, on Tuesday, after the 3rd Sunday in May, 1873. Brethren W. W. Mitchell, J. M. Powell and W. J. Dunning were appointed to nominate preachers of Introductory and Conventional Sermons for that occasion.

22. Prof. Delke offered the following

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Your Committee submit the following as their report: The school is enjoying a degree of prosperity, gratifying to its friends, and encouraging to its officers and teachers.

During the year one hundred and fifteen pupils have entered, one hundred and five of whom are now in attendance.

The school has been unusually exempt from sickness, and its prospects are flattering.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

In connection with the adoption of the report, addresses were delivered by Prof. Delke, Elders Wingate, Bradford, Hufham, Repiton and brother J. H. Mills.

23. The Committee on Religious Exercises announced that Elder G. W. Sanderlin would preach in the Methodist church this morning at 11 o'clock.

24. On motion, the letter from Mars Hill was referred to a Committee consisting of N. L. Shaw, John Wilson and W. B. Ferebee.

25. The Committee to whom was referred the letter from Great Fork submitted the following report:

While we regret a severance of our connection with the church at Great Fork, we willingly admit the propriety and policy of the dissolution, and recognize our loss as the gain of our sister body—the Portsmouth Association.

J. A. DELKE, Chairman.

The report was received, and a letter of dismission ordered.

26. The Committee to whom was referred the letter from Sharon made the following report.

Your Committee beg leave to state the following facts:

1. T. R. Lawrence is not among the delegates appointed by the church at Sharon. His name was inserted in the letter through mistake.

2. He is, however, the pastor of that church. He holds and teaches, according to his own statements, doctrines, which are contrary to the Scriptures. He denies the immortality of the soul, and, so far as your Committee can understand, the existence in man of any such thing as soul or spirit, unless our ani-

mal life be considered such. In the judgment of your Committee, such a man is unfit to be pastor or teacher in any of our churches.

R. R. OVERBY, Chairman.

The report was discussed by Elds. Overby, Babb, Harrison, brethren L. H. Babb, J. A. Delke, and adopted.

27. On motion of Elder Overby, the Clerk was instructed to strike the name of T. R. Lawrence from the roll of delegates.

28. Elder Babb, of the Committee to whom was referred the letter from Roanoke Island, reported as follows:

Your Committee to whom was referred the letter from Roanoke Island, containing the following question:

"Can a Church, consistent with the rules and regulations of the Baptist church, receive into fellowship any applicant upon the faith and credit of a letter issued by another church of the same faith and order, the applicant himself not being present?" would respectfully report the following opinion:

That a church is bound to receive into membership any applicant upon the faith of a letter, but when she does so, it is not absolutely necessary for the applicant to be present. But in respect to the body, we believe that the applicant, circumstances allowing should present the letter in person.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOS. W. BABB, Chairman.

The report was adopted.

29. Elder Knapp read the following

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The Baptist State Convention has existed forty-three years. Its originators saw the necessity of concentrating the operations of the great Baptist family in the State. In reviewing the past history of the Convention, we find that stern has been the opposition in the past, and the conquests already won have been won at a terrible sacrifice, but the signs are hopeful and the prospects cheering. One great obstacle in the way has been the unwillingness of the churches and the Associations to co-operate. There has been much work but little co-work, the efforts of the one not mingling with the efforts of the other to sustain and complete it. Instead of joining hands in support of the common cause, the churches by their pride and self will, and petty prejudices and fastidious tastes concerning men and means, have permitted the great enterprise to suffer, and Christ to be crucified afresh. But while we mourn over the want of co-operation, we rejoice that God has stamped upon the Gospel the law of self diffusion. Never before were there so many grand forces at work to establish forever the "universal reign of our wondrous King." With the increase of light and intelligence there is a corresponding decrease in the opposition to our ministers and principles. But our statistics reveal a great want of aggression. Why are there so many towns in the State without a Baptist church? In this essential, and especially enjoined work of going up and possessing the land, we seem to feel that we must stand back and wait, and before advancing, tip our hats to all other denominations and say "*with your permission.*" Hence a wide field wholly unoccupied is before us. Indeed, luxuriant tares now flourish on soil where strong churches would have held and maintained the ascendency, had we been true to Him who has long since bidden us "go forward." Thousands are looking to us, and are asking the bread of life, at our hands, and if the Gospel is ever received by them, it must, and only can be through our exertions. Baptist churches only and alone contain the elements of christian and civil liberty. The mandate from the throne, is preach my Gospel; and we cannot be honest in the sight of God, nor just to those who

will come after us, nor true to our parentage, nor loyal to Christ, nor will our skirts be clear of the blood of sinners, if we permit this work, this *home* work to go undone. The Convention has twenty-four missionaries who are accomplishing a great and glorious work. Their reports are of thrilling interest and highly encouraging. There are twenty-five young brethren at Wake Forest preparing to preach the Gospel, thirteen are beneficiaries ; they need assistance, and should be sustained. The club system, recently introduced in our College, is working admirably, and with a little systematic help from the churches, these dear young brethren who have turned from the pursuits of wealth, honor, and ease, would be able to "study to show themselves approved into God, workmen able to rightly divide the word of truth." But unless the means are furnished, some of these brethren will never preach the Gospel. For nearly two years Elder J. H. Hufham has been laboring as Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, and has exhibited a talent and an excellent ability rarely met with, and mainly through his untiring exertions the boards of the Convention for the first time in years are free from debt. Your committee would urge the brethren to attend the next session of the Convention, during the first week of November in Fayetteville. We would also recommend that the churches for their own instruction and benefit, provide the means and send their pastors to the Convention, so that a better acquaintance, a more systematic plan, and a more universal co-operation may be effected between the churches composing this great body of Baptists in the Old North State.

T. JUDSON KNAPP, Chairman.

The report was adopted after being ably discussed by Elders Knapp, Hufham, Overby and brother Mills.

After the adoption of the report, a collection was taken up for State Missions amounting, in cash, to $84.50 ; in pledges, to $491.50.

30. On motion, the Association took a recess of one and a half hours.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Wednesday, May 22d, 1872.

31. The Moderator called the Association to order at 2 o'clock.

32. On motion of Prof. Delk, the Clerk of the Association was instructed to keep the churches supplied with printed forms for making out statistical reports, and that these in the organization of the body be referred to the respective committees appointed to collect statistical items.

33. Elder Jno. P. Lee presented the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee to whom was referred the subject of Temperance beg leave to report.

Temperance is a subject that presents many interesting and important features.

Every Christian's heart must swell with emotions of delight on reflecting upon the happy results of Temperance. It is so closely identified with christianity, that it should be encouraged by all who love the Lord Jesus Christ.

We are of opinion that many and great evils result from the moderate use of ardent spirits ; therefore, we decidedly and unconditionally, condemn the practice.

Your committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, that every member of the churches composing the Chowan Associa-

tion be affectionately requested to discontinue even the moderate use of spirituous liquors.

J. P. LEE, Chairman.

34. On motion, the report was laid on the table temporarily.

35. The committee on Religious Exercises announced that Elder A. F. Read would preach in the Methodist church at 3½ o'clock.

36. On motion of Elder Overby, Elder Harrison was permitted to lay before the Association the claims of Edenton church. Prof. Delke, Elders Bradford, Hufham, and Overby followed in an appeal for this object. Collections and pledges were secured to the amount of $241 ; $63.50 in cash, $177.50 in pledges.

37. Prof. Delke read the following :

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your committee are gratified in being able to report an encouraging increase in the efficiency of Sabbath Schools in your bounds. We regret, however, to hear from many quarters a need of more teachers. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that he send forth more laborers in the Sabbath School.

J. A. DELKE, Chairman.

38. On motion, the discussion of the report was temporarily postponed.

39. The committee appointed to answer enquiry from Mars Hill church reported as follows :

That while this body holds and would enjoin it upon the churches, that it is wrong for church members to be engaged in retailing liquors as a beverage, still it is only an advisory council, and as such can only advise Mars Hill and other churches afflicted with such members, to deal with them in such a way and manner as the circumstances require, being sure to have the teachings of the Holy Bible as the rule and guide of action, and thus acting, to err is impossible.

Respectfully submitted,

N. L. SHAW,
JOHN WILSON,
W. B. FEREBEE,
} Committee.

The report was discussed by Elder Williams, brother L. H. Babb and adopted.

40. On motion, the report on Temperance was taken from the table. After an animated discussion, Elders Lee, Williams, Overby, Babb, Knapp, Prof. Delke and brother L. H. Babb, participating, the report was adopted.

41. On motion, brother Willie Dunning was appointed to prepare an obitual notice of the late Elder H. J. White. Brother L. H. Babb was appointed to prepare a similar notice of Elder S. S. Worrell.

42. On motion of Prof. Delke, the funds from the sale of pictures of Chowan Baptist Female Institute were appropriated to State Missions, and a vote of thanks tendered to Messrs. Harrell and Grimes, Photographers, Murfreesboro, N. C., for their donation.

43. The committee to nominate preachers of Introductory and Conventional sermons at the next session of this Association made the following report :

To preach Introductory Sermon,	Elder J. D. HUFHAM.
Alternate,	Elder T. W. BABB.
To preach Conventional Sermon,	Elder R. R, OVERBY.
Alternate,	Elder T. J. KNAPP.

The report was adopted.

44. The Moderator announced the following Messengers to corresponding bodies :

To Portsmouth Association ; Elds. R. R. Overby, T. J. Knapp, Q. T. Simpson.
" Eastern " " R. R. Savage, A. McDowell, J. P. Lee.
" Pamlico " " J. M. C. Luke, J. Bunch, T. W. Babb.
" Baptist State Convention : All ordained ministers of the Association who may be present:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Chowan B. F. Institute : R. R. Savage, W. C. Parker, R. T. Barnes.
Baptist State Convention : A. McDowell, L. T. Spier, J. R. Darden.
Wake Forest College : John Mitchell, J. F. Howell, J. W. Beesley.
Sabbath Schools : T. W. Babb, J. A. Delke, M. L. Eure.
Temperance : T. Harrison, J. T. Waff, R. D. Simpson.
Periodicals : R. R. Overby, W. B. Ferebee, W. H. Scott.

45. On motion, the Association adjourned until 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Eld. J. N. Hoggard preached in the Baptist church at 8 P. M.
Eld. T. W. Babb, in the Methodist church at the same hour.

MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, May 12d, 1872.

46. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Eld. T. J. Knapp.

47. Bro. J. T. Waff submitted the report on Statistics of Benevolence, which was adopted. Appendix A.

48. Prof. Delke read the report on Sabbath School Statistics. Adopted. Appendix B.

49. Elder T. W. Babb offered the

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

The prospects of the College are encouraging. The number of students is now about one hundred, and gradually increasing. The number of beneficiaries during the session is thirteen; number of young men looking forward to the ministry, twenty-five.

The endownment is steadily progressing. It is hoped that the effort to increase it to $50,000, will be speedily accomplished. We commend the work to your prayers and liberal contributions. The agent, Elder John Mitchell, has secured in pledges over $10,000, during the present year.

Board has been much reduced by the club system. Nearly half the students board in clubs at a cost of about $7 per month. The club-house is under female superintendence and good management. Tuition is admirably adopted to meet the wants of all classes of students, embracing literary, scientific and commercial courses.

Respectfully submitted,

T. W. BABB, Chirman.

Adopted after addresses by Elds. Mitchell, Babb, Wingate and Professor Delke.

50. Brother D. P. Daughtrey submitted the

REPORT ON FINANCE

By balance in hand from last report		$169 45
By present contributions from the churches		130 87
		$300 32
CONTRA.		
To printing minutes for session 1871	$100 00	
To amount paid for transcribing	25 00	
To balance due former Treasurer	44	125 44
Amount in hand		$174 88

The report was recorded.

51. On motion of Eld. Overby it was decided to appropriate the funds collected after Conventional Sermon to the Education Board. Brethren W. B. Ferebee, M. R. Gregory, C. W. Kellinger, N. L. Shaw and Buffkin were appointed to wait on the congregation.

52. The Association suspended business to hear Conventional Sermon by Dr. Wingate from Luke XIV: 23, "Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."

The collection, after sermon, amounted to $43.40.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Thursday, May, 23d, 1872.

53. Prof. Delke presented the following

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Recognizing the importance of religious literature, and especially of regular periodical literature, as an important aid to a proper and correct understanding of the Scriptures, and a gratifying exhibit of the progress of religious truth, at home and abroad, we cordially and earnestly commend first, the BIBLICAL RECORDER, Raleigh, N. C., price $2 per year.

2d. *Home and Foreign Journal*, Richmond, Va., 50 cents per year.

3d. *Kind Words*, Meinphis, Tenn., 50 cents per year, ten copies and upwards 25 cents; semi-monthly, 50 cents.

J. A. DELKE, Chm'n.

The report was adopted after being discussed by Brethren Mills, Delke and Elds. Overby, Wingate, Babb and Knapp.

54. On motion of Eld. Overby, the Treasurer was instructed to pay over to the Education Board all the funds in his hands after defraying the necessary Associational expenses.

55. On motion, the report on Sabbath Schools was taken up. Stirring addresses were delivered by Elds. Redds, Simpson, Savage, brethren Mills and Delke. Pending the discussion the Sabbath School Army hymn was sung with enthusiasm.

Collection for the Sabbath School Board amounted to $24.02

56. Prof. Delke offered the following:

Resolved, That the gratitude and thankfulness of our hearts are due to our heavenly Father for the brotherly love and christian communion that have characterized our session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to the Baptist church and congregation of Elizabeth City, for the hospitality so generously extended to the delegates.

Resolved, That we acknowledge with gratitude the christian courtesy extended this body by the Methodist church of this place for the use of their house of worship during our session, and the cordiality extended by them and other friends, in the reception and entertainment of delegates and visitors.

Resolved, That our thanks is due to Railroad and Steamboat companies for return-tickets.

The resolutions were adopted.

57. The committee on Religious Exercises announced that Elder Knapp would preach in the Baptist church, Eld. Durham, in the Methodist church, and Eld. Nelson in the African church to-night, at eight o'clock.

58. Elder Knapp offered the following:

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the action of the last Convention in appointing the N. C. Baptist Church Extension Society, and earnestly urge our brethren and sisters to unite with the Society.

Adopted.

59. Brother Shaw submitted the following:

WHEREAS, we have heard of the illness of our highly esteemed and aged brother, Elder Henry Speight,

Be it resolved, That the christian sympathy of this Association be tendered brother Speight and his family in this hour of his suffering, and that we all pray our heavenly Father's blessed presence and comfort in his behalf, and that, if consistent with his will, he be restored to us yet for usefulness.

Adopted.

60. Prof. Delke read the following:

Resolved, That this body appoint a committee consisting of one member from each church composing this Association, to be styled the Educational Board of Chowan Association, to raise by contribution and subscription, a beneficiary fund, to defray the expenses of one indigent student, or more, at Chowan Baptist Female Institute, and report to the next session of this body a plan of operations.

The resolution was adopted, and the following, brethren, by the appointment of the Moderator, constitute the committee: W. W. Mitchell, R. D. Simpson, M. Davis, W. Myers, N. L. Shaw, R. R. Savage, J. N. Hoggard, D. E. Tayloe, A. L. Mizzell, John Wilson, J. L. Burden, J. M. Parker, Albert Vann, C. G. Spence, T. Harrison, B. T. Whitehurst, R. R. Overby, J. C. Fleetwood, H. Hoffler, J. E. Blanchard, J. M. Newbold, J. Mitchell, W. Leary, B. B. Williams, J. P. Lee, J. A. Roundtree, I. Peele, J. A. Vann, J. B. Combs, J. A. Delke, T. W. Babb, W. Dunning, J. E. Jackson, D. M. Beale, H. Gregory, L. H. Babb, J. S. Jones, J. Bunch, S. Etheridge, D. A. Stephenson, T. J. Knapp, K. White, B. Berry, A. Ward, J. M. Powell, W. B. Ferebee, D. Sanderlin, T. Swain, W. Briggs, J. Brickhouse, E. Bunch, T. White, F. W. Ward, A. Bonner, J. O. Herrington, D. J. Roberts.

61. Elds. C. J. Nelson and B. B. Williams made an appeal for means to assist the church at Williamston to complete their house of worship.

The collection amounted to $19.45.

62. On motion, the Clerk was instructed to have 3,000 copies of the Minutes printed and distributed.

63. The business of the session being completed, on motion, the Association adjourned.

The proceedings were read.

The brethren united in singing, "Blest be the tie that binds." Dr. Wingate led in prayer, after which the Moderator declared this session of the Association adjourned *sine die*.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

W. C. PARKER, Clerk.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

IN THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1.	BABB, T. W.,	Gatesville.
2.	BARBER, B. F.,	Windsor.
3.	BRIGGS, WELLS,	Manteo.
4.	BUNCH, JEREMIAH,	Windsor.
5.	BUNCH, EPHRAIM,	Gatesville.
6.	CRAIG, A. M.,	Windsor.
7.	ETHERIDGE, D. V.,	Edenton.
8.	HARRELL, DAVID,	Windsor.
9.	HARRISON, TREZEVANT,	Edenton.
10.	HOGGARD, THOS.,	Colerain.
11.	HOGGARD, J. N.,	Murfreesboro.
12.	HOWELL, ED.,	Gatesville.
13.	HUFHAM, J. D.,	Warsaw.
14.	KING, B. F.,	Windsor.
15.	KNAPP, T. JUDSON,	Edenton.
16.	LEARY, WEST,	Edenton.
17.	LEE, JOHN P.,	Murfreesboro.
18.	LUKE, J. M. C.,	Elizabeth City.
19.	McDOWELL, A. M.,	Murfreesboro.
20.	MITCHELL, JOHN,	Forestville.
21.	MIZZELL, M. L.,	Windsor.
22.	OVERBY, R. R.,	Elizabeth City.
23.	PEARCE, ED.,	Merry Hill.
24.	ROBERTS, D. J.,	Hertford.
25.	ROCHELLE, J. J.,	Jackson.
26.	SANDERLIN, D.,	Camden C. H.
27.	SIMPSON, QUINTON T.,	Elizabeth City.
28.	SPEIGHT, HENRY,	Gatesville.
29.	SAVAGE, R. R.,	Murfreesboro.
30.	WILLIAMS, B. B.,	Colerain.

APPENDIX A.----SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	No. Scholars.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Vols. in Library.	No. of kind words taken.	No. of Baptist Teachers taken	Other Papers.	Contributions for the year.			No. months kept open.
												S S Board.	Other objs.	Total.	
Ahoskie,	1	William Askew, Winton,	30		140			350							
Berea,	3	M Whitehurst, W Davis, Isaac Harris, E. City	18	16	100	80	14	200	35		30				
Ballard's Bridge,	4	G A Griffin, J S Parish, J H Griffin. Edenton	20		150			137	15						
Bethel.	3	W Myers, J C Cullipher, N Dail, Hertford	24	18	100	75		200	34						
Bethlehem,	2	A B Adkins, Pitch-Landing	10	9	43	35		90	10				25,00	25,00	8
Buckhorn,	1	J J Overton, Winton R T Barnes, Murfreesboro	10	6	20	15			12		12		14,00	14,00	5
Capeharts,		No school													
Cashie,		No school													
Cedar Branch,		No report													
Colerain,		No school													
Connarista,	2	J P Slade, B B Lassiter, Winton	12		83										
Cool Spring,		No school													
Corinth,		No report													
Dudley's Grove,	1	R A Cooke, St Johns	6		43										
Ebenezer,	1	Thos Duke, South Mills	6		30	30		100							12
Edenton.	1	T Harrison, Edenton	17	15	70	50		175					1.42	1,42	12
Elam,	1	B E Stephenson, Garysburg	8	5	12			72							12
Elizabeth City,	2	Q T Simpson, O C Horton, Henry Wood, E City	25		148	120	9	100	50	15					12
Galatia,	2	K Davis, Margarettsville	15	10	80	60	9	125	11			2,50	2,00	4,50	10
Gatesville,	1	H Hofler, Gatesville	9		50										
Great Fork,	1	R T Harrell, Suffolk, Va	5		30		1	100							
Hamilton,		No report													
Hebron,		No report													
Great Hope,	2	G A Griffin, J A Elliott, Hertford	13	16	90	70	12	130					3,00	3,00	6
Hertford,	1	J M Skinner, Hertford	8	6	28	19		75	16			1,00		1,00	12
Holly Grove,		No school													
Macedonia,		No school													
Mars Hill,	1	H A Hobbs, H H Byrum, Colerain	6		50			200	13						7
Meherrin.	2	A Liverman, Murfreesboro	12		54										
Middle Swamp,	1	W H Riddick, Gatesville	7	5	27	20		130	20						7
Mt. Carmel,	1	James Maddrey, Seaboard													8
Mt. Tabor,	1	W C Parker, Murfreesboro	6	4	45	30		200	12				35,00	35,00	12
Mt. Zion,	1	J A Spruill, Columbia	8		24			50		10			10,00	10,00	8
Murfreesboro,	1	L T Spiers, Murfreesboro	14	12	125	120	25	200	24		18		41,75	41,75	12

Piny Grove,	1	Jos Smith, Reynoldson	5	4	35	30		60	10						12
Pleasant Grove,	1							100							
Plymouth,	1	J M Barrett, Plymouth	7		35										
Potecasi,	2	Wm Mann, Potecasi, N C	19	19	140	120	9	150	34		10		50,00	50,00	9
Powell's Point,	1	A Gibson, Powell's Point	5		25										6
Providence,	2	L H Babb, G Blansett, Indian Ridge	24		127		12	300	110						12
Ramoth Gilead,	1	J S Jones, Rose Dale	6	6	42	40	5	50	20				5,00	5,00	10
Republican,		No report													
Roanoke Island,		No school reported													
Robert's Chapel,	1	J H Edwards, Boykins Depot, Va	12	8	49	30		30			6				5
Rocky Hock,	2	C D Ellis, E Byrum, Edenton, N C	16	12	125	90		500			10				12
Ross Chnrch,	1	K White, Colerain, N C	5		50										
Salem,	1	S Modlin, E City	12		30			63	24						9
Sandy Cross,		No school reported													
Sandy Run,	2	Geo Bishop, Roxabel	12	8	70	50			10		25				6
Sawyer's Creek,	2	W B Ferebee, T B Boushall, Camden C H	30	15	200	90	40	300		14		6,00	25,00	31,00	12
Shady Grove,	1				30	20									
Sharon,		No school													
Shiloh,	3	E P Daley, Shiloh	32		130			400							
Sound Side,	1	Jas E Graves, Columbia	10	8	58	50	12	195	10				19,00	19,00	
Warwick,	1	Jas Wiggins, Gatesville	6	4	40	35		102							7
Whiteville Grove	1	Jno Turner, Hertford	10	6	90	50	12	150	1		12				7
White Oak,		No report													
Yoppim,	1	J T Waff, Edenton	13	8	65	40		250	12	2					9
Jasper Sab. Sch'l	1	J H Deberry, Margarettsville	4		38		2	40							19
	64		515	214	2921	1369	162	5344	483	41	123	9.50	230.17	23.967	

APPENDIX B.---FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHS.	W. Membership.	W. M. Membership.	State Missions.	Domestic and Indian Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	Sunday School Board.	Wake Forrest College.	Pastors' Salary.	Church Expenses.	Associational Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie,	391	147		15.00	4.00	45.00				300.00	5.00		369.00
Bal'rd's Bridge,	456	160	25.00		25.00				125.00	35.00	4.00	50.00	288.00
Berea,	217	84	50.00						250.00	5.00	2.00		307.00
Bethel,	281	93	16.80		16.80	7.42			200.00	50.00	4.50	12.52	308.04
Bethlehem,	207	83	28.22		4.00	17.00			160.00	34.00	4.00	5.14	252.36
Buckhorn,	108	43	8.00		8.00	40.00			130.00	125.00	2.00	75.00	388.00
Capeharts,	310	125	7.00		7.00	6.16			125.00	50.00	2.50	6.03	203.69
Cashie,	256		23.92		5.10	5.00				250.00	5.00		289.02
Cedar Branch,*	45												
Colerain,	375	150			14.00				150.00	50.00	3.00	25.00	242.00
Connaritsa,	265	79	11.68		5.68			15.00	100.00	15.00	3.00		150.36
Cool Spring,†	233	84									2.00		2.00
Corinth,*													
Dudley's Grove	32		4.00		4.00					175.00	1.00		184.6
Ebenezer,	97	32	5.25		5.00	5.00			150.00	40.00	2.00		207.25
Edenton,	129	43							300.00	75.00	2.00		377.00
Elam,	91	20	6.40						125.00	50.00	1.50	25.00	207.90
Elizabeth City,	227	60							600.00	75.00	3.00		678.00
Galatia,	123	56	7.20		5.10				125.00	150.00	2.00		289.30
Gatesville,	45	20	2.00		2.00	2.55					2.00		8.55
Great Fork,	175									170.00	1.50	9.00	180.50
Great Hope,	62	34								250.00		25.00	275.00
Hamilton,*													
Hebron,*													
Hertford.	54	14	5.00		5.00		1.50				1.50		13.00
Holly Grove,	94		13.35		10.00			50.00		124.00	2.00	121.00	320.35
Macedonia,	61		4.07							65.00	1.00	5.00	75.07
Mars Hill,	120	51	10.10		8.39				100.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	130.49
Meherrin,	233	77	13.52		13.51			20.00	150.00	204.13	2.00		403.16
Middle Swamp,	147								125.00	15.00	3.00	1200.00	1343.00
Mt. Carmel,	208	70	21.90						160.00	200.00	2.50		384.40
Mt. Tabor.	199	82	12.75		12.75	61.00			150.00	15.00	4.00	60.00	315.50
Mt. Zion,	42	17							150.00	12.00	2.00		164.00
Murfreesboro,	64	15	40.23		86.63	40.23				40.00	2.50	376.45	586.04
Piny Grove.	100	37	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00		125.00	10.00	2.00		187.00
Pleasant Grove,	108		13.00		13.00	75.00				150.00	5.00	8.00	264.00
Plymouth,	35	12							100.00		1.50		101.50
Potecasi,	231	76	6.90		6.90				125.00	500.00	4.00		642.80
Powell's Point,	56	32							75.00		1.00		76.00
Providence,	147	64	24.00		24.25				250.00		3.00		301.25
Ramoth Gilead,	172	83	4.00		8.50				250.00	30.00	3.00		295.50
Republican,*													
Roanoke Island,	90									80.00	2.00		82.00
Robert's Chapel	196	63	4.00		6.72				110.00	300.00	2.50		423.22
Rocky Hock.	260	105	5.00						150.00	25.00	3.00	35.00	218.00
Ross Church,	356	108							100.00	115.00	2.50	8.00	225.50
Salem,	143	50							150.00		2.00		152.00
Sandy Cross.	342	121	19.64						200.00	37.00	3.00	43.50	303.14
Sandy Run,	208	75	10.00		10.00	10.00			150.00	203.05	3.00		386.05
Sawyer's Creek	433	163	62.00	5.00	5.00				1000.00	50.00	5.00	165.00	1292.00
Shady Grove,†	56										2.00		2.00
Sharon,†	16	5									75		75
Shiloh,	320	114							250.00		3.00		253.00
Sound Side,	134	39							100.00		2.00		102.00
Warwick,	169	59		10.47					40.00	5.25	2.00	4.33	62.05
Whi'ville Grove	181	59	2.25						150.00	10.00	2.00	10.00	174.25
White Oak,													
Yoppim,	169	81	38.37		12.50				200.60	30.00	2 50		283.37
			512.55	65.47	338.83	324.36	11.50	85.00	6900.00	4124.43	131.25	2273.97	14767.36

†Partial Report. Am't contributed, in cash, during the session, for various objects 234.87

*No Report. $15002.23

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

Number.	CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION.	SABBATHS OF PREACHING.	Additions.			Diminutions.			White Males.	W. Females.	Total Whites.	Col. Members.	Total.	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.
				Baptism.	Letter.	Restor'n.	Letter.	Exclus'n.	Death.							
1	Ahoskie,	Hertford, 1802,	4th,	19	3	3	7	3	6	147	244	391		391	R. R. Savage....	W. W. Mitchell, Winton.....
2	Ballard's Bridge,	Chowan, 1781,	2d,		3		11	7	12	160	296	456	54	510	West Leary.....	Edward Pearce, Edenton.....
3	Berea,	Pasquotank, 1856,	1st and 4th,	35	5	5	5	3	1	84	133	217		217	J. M. C. Luke...	Miles Whitehurst, E. City.....
4	Bethel,	Perquimans, 1806,	3d,	37	6	5	6	3	10	93	188	28		281	J. M. C. Luke...	George W. Barrow, Hertford..
5	Bethlehem,	Hertford, 1835,	3d,	4	6	1	8	5	5	83	124	207	1	208	J. N. Hoggard...	N. L. Shaw, Harrellsville.....
6	Buckhorn,	Hertford, 1836,	2d and 4th,	11	2		5			43	65	108	15	123	R. R. Savage....	J. H. Picot, Murfreesboro.. ...
7	Capeharts,	Bertie, 1823,	2d,		9		2	7	11	125	185	310	9	319	Thomas Hoggard	Geo. W. Cobb, Windsor.....
8	Cashie,	Bertie, 1798,	1st and 3d,	28	9		23	4	6			256	176	432	J. Bunch.....	S. J. Wheeler, Windsor.....
9	Cedar Branch.	Martin, 1869,										45		45		
10	Colerain,	Bertie, 1789,	3d,	36	3	5	7	4	4	150	225	375	3	378	B. B. Williams..	W. B. Watford, Coleraine.....
11	Connaritsa,	Bertie, 1798,	3d,	21	3	3	39	4	4	79	186	265	2	267	Thomas Hoggard	A. J. Dunning, St. Johns.....
12	Cool Spring,	Gates, 1829,	1st,	51		2	5		5	84	149	233		233	J. P. Lee.....	M. L. Greene, Winton.....
13	Corinth,	Northampton. 1854,										138	2	140	No Pastor.....	
14	Dudley's Grove,	Hertford, 1872,	1st,									32		32	W. Askew.....	J. O. Herrington, St. Johns....
15	Ebenezer,	Camden, 1829,	2d,	24	1	5		2	5	32	65	97		97	J. M. C. Luke...	J. N. Overton, South Mills.....
16	Edenton,	Chowan, 1816,	1st, 2d, 3d & 4th		2		3		3	43	86	129		129	Treze't Harrison	Charles M. Murden, Edenton.
17	Elam,	Northampton, 1859,	2d,	12		1			2	20	71	91		91	J. P. Lee.....	Joseph Barham, Garysburg..
18	Elizabeth City,	Pasquotank, 1786,	1st, 2d, 3d & 4th	19	2	4	5	4	8	60	167	227		227	Overby, Simpson	H. S. Morgan, E. City.....
19	Galatia,	Northampton, 1859,	2d and 4th,	16	8	2	1	2		56	67	123	1	124	B. B. Williams..	Jas. A. Coggins, Margarettsvil
20	Gatesville,	Gates,	3d,	1	5	1				20	25	45		45	J. P. Lee.....	M. L. Eure, Gatesville.....
21	Great Fork,	Nansemond, Va. 1832	1st,		3		8	14	2			175		175	R. R. Owens....	W. W. Knight, Suffolk, Va....
22	Great Hope,	Perquimans, 1869,	1st,	35	16		1	1		34	28	62		62	D. J. Roberts....	Geo. A. Griffin, Hertford.....
23	Hamilton,											115		115		
24	Hebron,					3	3	1	1	14	40	54		54	No Pastor.....	P. H. Welch, Hertford. .....
25	Hertford.	Perquimans, 1854.							3			94	18	112	B. B. Williams..	J. W. Mitchell, Colerain.....
26	Holly Grove,	Bertie, 1804,	1st,	7			3	1	3			61	1	62	West Leary.....	W. H. Bonner, Edenton.....
27	Macedonia,	Chowan, 1850,	3d,				4	7	1	51	69	120	2	122	B. B. Williams..	G. G. Morriss, Coleraine.. ..
28	Mars Hill,	Bertie, 1854,	4th,	9		3	7		5	77	156	233	21	254	J. N. Hoggard...	Oris Parker, Murfreesboro....
29	Meherrin,	Hertford, 1773,	1st,	1	1	1	2	1	1			147		147	T. W. Babb.....	Wm. E. Matthews, Gatesville
30	Middle Swamp,	Gates, 1806,	2d,	7		1	7	1	2	70	138	208	1	209	J. N. Hoggard...	J. Peele, Jackson.....
31	Mt. Carmel,	Northampton, 1823,	4th,	22	3		8	1	6	82	117	199	18	217	R. R. Savage....	Thos. M. Parker, Murfreesbo
32	Mt. Tabor.	Hertford, 1839,	3d,		2	1	2		3	17	25	42		42	T. R. Lawrence.	J. A. Spruill, Columbia.....
33	Mt. Zion,	Tyrrell, 1852,	2d,				8			15	49	64		64	A. McDowell....	Thos. D. Boone, Murfreesboro
34	Murfreesboro,	Hertford, 1848,	1st, 2d, 3d & 4th	29	3		3	2	3	37	63	100	19	119	T. W. Babb.....	J. F. Howell, Reynoldson....
35	Piny Grove,	Gates, 1827,	4th,	4			2		3			108		108	H. B. Parker	W. Dunning, St. Johns.....
36	Pleasant Grove,	Hertford, 1837,	2d,	3	8		1	1		12	23	35		35	C. J. Nelson.....	J. E. Jackson, Plymouth.....
37	Plymouth,	Washington, 1868,	2d,	2	2			3	6	76	155	231	40	271	J. N. Hoggard...	H. C. Edwards, Woodland....
38	Potecasi,	Northampton, 1808,	2d,	22			2		3	32	24	56		56	Wells Brigg.....	W. S. Harrison, Powell's Poi
39	Powell's Point,	Currituck, 1804,	4th,	4				1	5	64	83	147		147	Thomas W. Babb	L. H. Babb, Indian Ridge.....
40	Providence,	Currituck, 1826,	3d,	18	2		5	4	1	83	89	172		172	J. M. C. Luke...	J. R. Etheridge, Rose Dale...
41	Ramoth Gilead,	Pasquotank, 1808,	2d and 4th,	27	3		2	5	2			206	16	222		
42	Republican,	Bertie, 1834,										90		90	Wells Briggs.....	E. M. Meekins, Mantio.....
43	Roanoke Island,	Currituck, 1807,				1	3	5	7	2	63	133	196	50	246	R. R. Savage....	Wm. Boone, Murfreesboro...
44	Robert's Chapel,	Northampton, 1848,	1st,						1	3	105	155	260	2	262	T. J. Knapp.....	W. F. Boyce, Edenton. .....
45	Rocky Hock,	Chowan, 1835,	1st,					5	7		108	248	355	9	365	Thomas Hoggard	J. L. White, Windsor.....
46	Ross Church,	Bertie, 1804,	4th,	1	3				3	6	8	50	93	143		143	West Leary.....	Wm. Cartwright, E. City.....
47	Salem,	Pasquotank, 1790,	1st,	16	1	1	3	6	8	50	93	143		342	T. J. Knapp.....	Jessee R. Key, Sunsbury.....
48	Sandy Cross,	Gates, 1828,	2d,	61	4	4	3	1	6	121	221	342		213	J. Bunch	H. P. Harrell, Roxabel.....
49	Sandy Run,	Bertie, 1750,	2d and 4th,		2		1		8	75	133	208	5	433	R. R. Overby....	T. B. Boushall, Camden C. H
50	Sawyer's Creek,	Camden, 1790,	1st. 2d, 3d & 4th	77	5	12	8	13	2	163	270	433		56	D. Sanderlin.....	B. C. Walker, Currituck C. H
51	Shady Grove,	Currituck, 1829,	2d.	23	2	4		4	2			56		16	T. R. Lawrence.	A. Parisher, Columbia.....
52	Sharon.	Tyrrell, 1869,	1st,							5	11	16		320	Thomas W. Babb	S. W. Williams, Shiloh.....
53	Shiloh,	Camden, 1757,	1st,	34	8	18	1	3	7	114	206	320		134	No Pastor.....	J. G. Brickhouse, Columbia .
54	Sound Side,	Tyrrell, 1831,	2d.	32	5	1	3	14	4	39	95	134		169	E. Bunch.....	James H. Kelly, Gatesville.
55	Warwick,	Chowan, 1861,	3d.	40	7		7	2	4	59	110	169		183	T. J. Knapp.....	W. C. Simpson, Belvedere...
56	Whiteville Grove	Perquimans, 1851,	3d,	32			2		4	59	122	181	2	43		
57	White Oak,	Bertie, 1856,										39	4			
58	Yoppim,	Chowan. 1775.	4th.		3		4	4	8	81	88	169	13	182	T. J. Knapp.....	J. T. Wall. Edenton. .....
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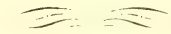
IN MEMORIAM.



Harvey Johnson White, son of Joshua White and Cloe, his wife, who was a Miss Conner, was born March 9th, 1796, and raised up to manhood near St. Johns, Hertford county. His father died December, 1799, leaving him an infant. He, however, when arrived to manhood had acquired an education sufficient to teach school. He married Miss Elizabeth Jones, July 25th, 1819, by whom he had one daughter, who died at seventeen. His wife died October 30th, 1822. He then married Miss Martha Slade, who died July 11th, 1853, by whom he had twelve children, eight sons and four daughters, seven of whom are living, and remarkably smart. He was baptized February, 1820, united with Connaritsa Church, soon after was licensed to preach, which he continued to do for some years, chiefly in the bounds of the Bertie Union Meeting. He preached at all or the most part of the churches in the bounds of the Chowan Association, and was ordained to the Gospel Ministry before that body. In April, 1837, he and a number of others received letters of dismission from Connaritsa Church and were constituted a church at Pleasant Grove. He was called to the pastoral care thereof, and continued to officiate as such until succeeded by Elder John Nowell, September 16th, 1841. Dismissed by letter March, 1850, he united again with Connaritsa. Dismissed by letter from Connaritsa and united with Pleasant Grove, December, 1855, and remained a member thereof until his death, which occurred 16th October, 1871, at his own residence, in Bertie county, N. C. Elder White loved books. The writer recollects a remark made by a minister, contempory with him, that he could speak of no book but Brother White knew something about it. The writer visited him when very low in his last illness, and spoke of a revival that was in progress in Windsor and vicinity, at hearing of which he exclaimed, "Thank the Lord for that." He lay smiling until it seemed that he would have shouted had he had sufficient strength. His death was thought to be triumphant.

Respectfully submitted,

Willis Dunning, Com.

N. B.—He obtained his living chiefly by farming: was shoemaker, wheel-wright and blacksmith. W. D.

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

CONNARITSA, BERTIE CO., N. C.

May 20, 21, 22, 1873.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*, St. Johns.
W. C. PARKER, *Clerk*, Murfreesboro'.
W. W. MITCHELL, *Treasurer*, Winton.

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PROCEEDINGS.

CONNARITSA, BERTIE CO., N. C.,
Tuesday, May 20th, 1873.

1. The Chowan Baptist Association met in its Sixty-Seventh Annual Session this day, with the Church at Connaritsa.

2. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Eld. Thos. W. Babb, from Isaiah LXII:1: "For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth."

3. After sermon the Association took a recess of one hour and a half.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, May 20th, 1873.

4. The Association re-assembled at 2 o'clock, and was opened with prayer by Eld. Thos. Hoggard.

5. Brethren John Wilson, D. E. Taylor, and J. T. Waff were appointed a Committee on Finance.

6. Brethren D. P. Daughtrey, R. D. Simpson and M. Gillam constituted the Committee on Sabbath School Statistics.

7. Brethren Whitaker Myers, J. A. Delke and J. C. Fleetwood sat as Committee on Statistics of Benevolence.

8. The Pastor and Deacons of this church composed the Committee on Religious Exercises.

9. Brethren J. M. Powell, N. L. Shaw and J. F. Howell assisted the Clerk.

10. On motion, Dr. G. C. Moore was re-elected Moderator; W. C. Parker, Clerk; W. W. Mitchell, Treasurer.

11. The Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren and to Messengers from corresponding bodies to seats with us, which was accepted by the following brethren, viz: Eld. W. M. Wingate, D. D., President of Wake Forest College, from Central Association; Eld. Reuben Jones, from Portsmouth, Virginia, Association; Brethren C. W. Kellinger and T. F. Rogers, from Norfolk, Va.; Eld. Thos. W. Wood, from Portsmouth, Virginia, Association; Eld. J. B. Richardson, from Greensboro' Baptist Church; Bro. P. A. Dunn, from Balti-

more; Eld. N. B. Cobb, Cor. Sec., S. S. Board of N. C. Baptist State Convention, and Bro. J. H. Mills, Editor *Biblical Recorder.*

12. On motion, a committee of five was appointed to select place of next meeting. Brethren Delke, Luke, Lee, Overby and R. D. Simpson, constitute the Committee.

13 Brother Mills presented catalogues of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

14. Eld. Harrison presented the following:

Resolved, That this Association appoint a Committee to take into consideration the importance of providing for our ministers worn out in the service of the Churches.

After being discussed by Elds. Babb, McDowell, Harrison and Luke, the resolution was, on motion, laid on the table.

15. Eld. McLendon preached at the stand at 3, P. M.

16. Homes were assigned to the delegates, after which the Association adjourned until 9:30 to morrow morning. Prayer by Eld. Jones, of Virginia.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 21st, 1873.

17. In the absence of the Moderator, Eld. R. R. Savage, was, on motion, called to the chair. Eld. J. N. Hoggard led in prayer.

18. The committee to whom was referred the selection of the place of next meeting, reported, recommending the Church at Gatesville. The report was adopted.

19. On motion, the three front benches were reserved for the use of the delegates.

20 Eld. Harrison, and Brethren J. W. Trotman and Ed. Pierce were appointed a committee to nominate preachers of Introductory and Conventional sermons at our next session.

The Committtee on Religious Exercises announced that Elder J. B. Richardson, of Greensboro', would preach at the stand at 10 o'clock.

21. Eld Savage presented the following

PEPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Your Committee are glad to be able to report the continued prosperity of this Institution. During the year one hundred and twenty-six pupils have entered, of which one hundred and eight are now in attendance. The health of the school is now good, and with the exception of a few

cases of serious sickness, *all* occurring about the same time, and continuing but a brief period, the health has been good during the year.

Encouraging indications of religious interest manifested by some of the pupils, are reported by the president, and the hope is cherished that through the grace of God they may be led to genuine conversion.

The finances of the school are being successfully managed by discreet and faithful brethren, and good instruction is offered on economical terms.

R. R. SAVAGE, *Ch'm'n.*

The report, after being discussed by Dr. McDowell, Elds. Savage, Wingate, Babb, Jones, of Virginia, H. B. Parker, and brethren Delke, J. H Mills and the Moderator, was adopted.

22. Dr. McDowell read the

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina was organized more than 40 years ago for the purpose of encouraging and directing the benevolence of our churches in the promotion of Foreign Missions, State Missions, and Ministerial Education. During that period much has been done, through the agency of the Convention, to call the attention of the churches to these great objects of benevolence, and much has also been done directly to promote them. Many feeble churches have been aided in sustaining pastors, and many churches have been organized in destitute places, which are now returning to the Convention the funds once expended for their benefit. Many young men, called of God and licensed by their churches, have been assisted in obtaining an education. Some of these have become eminent for their labors, and for their success in preaching the gospel.

Thirteen young men, aided by the Convention, are now prosecuting their studies at Wake Forest College with a view to qualify themselves more successfully to preach the gospel. Eld. J. D. Hufham, known and approved by all the churches, still represents these objects. To the three primary objects for the promotion of which the Convention was first organized, Sabbath Schools has been added. A board has been appointed, located at Charlotte, and Eld. N. B. Cobb, distinguished for his love for Sabbath Schools, placed in charge of its interests as Corresponding Secretary.

While it is true, as before stated, that much has been done through the agency of the Convention, to promote each of these objects, and while it is true that most of the churches composing this Association make, at least, an annual contribution to them, yet it must be manifest from the smallness of the contributions that our churches generally are not duly impressed with the importance of these objects. This want of interest must result from one of two causes: from lack of faithfulness on the part of pastors in properly instructing their churches, or from lack of piety on the part of the membership; for it is not conceivable that a christain—a man who loves God, and loves his fellow men who are perishing for the bread of life, and yet withhold that bread when it is in his power to give.

Respectfully submitted,

A. McDOWELL, *Ch'm'n.*

On motion of Eld. Mitchell, the report was temporarily laid on the table.

23. On motion of Eld. Overby, the report on Wake Forest College was made the special order of business immediately on re-assembling this afternoon.

24. The report on Temperance was submitted by Eld. Harrison, which, after discussion, was, on motion, ordered to be recommitted.

25. On motion of Dr. McDowell, it was decided to strike the two subjects, Sabbath Schools and Temperance, from our list of annual reports.

The reasons for this motion were that the first, Sabbath Schools, is included in the report on Baptist State Convention, and the second, Temperance, belongs to the individual churches rather than to this body.

26. On motion, the Association adjourned one hour and a half for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 21st, 1873.

27. The Association re-assembled at 2 o'clock. Hymn: "Am I a soldier of the Cross?"

28. Eld. John Mitchell read the

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report: Number of sudents during the session, one hundred and six; number of beneficiaries, eighteen.

The College has now about $15,000 invested in interest-bearing bonds. It is proposed to increase this amount to one hundred thousand.

The Baptist State Convention, held in Fayetteville in November last, passed the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That we will heartily endorse and cooperate in an effort on the part of the Board of Trustees to secure a cash endowment of $100,000 during the present year.

The trustees regard this a work of necessity. To accomplish this a Central Committee has been appointed, of which Dr. Wingate is Secretary, and Eld. F. H. Ivey, Assistant Secretary. Canvassers have been appointed in the several District Associations, who, in connection with the Secretaries, will hold meetings in every section of the State. Cash contributions, or bonds, payable on or before the next meeting of the Convention, are to be received at these meetings. It is hoped that through the assistance of pastors and other brethren, this work may be accomplished, for the most part, without paid agents and without expense.

This great work, on the part of our denomination, is commended to your prayers and support.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MITCHELL, *Ch'm'n.*

The report was ably and elaborately discussed, Elds. Wingate, Overby, Babb, Parker, Savage, Cobb, Mitchell, McDowell, Fleetwood, Williams, Luke, brethren Eure, M. R. Gregory, and Shaw participating in the discussion. Many of the delegates pledged that their churches would raise not only the amount assigned them, but a sum larger than their quota.

The report was adopted.

29. On motion, the church at Weldon was received into this body, and the right hand of fellowship was extended to its representative, brother Spillman, by the Moderator.

Eld. J. M. C. Luke preached at the stand at 3 P. M.

30. On motion the Association adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock. Prayer by Elder John Mitchell.

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 22d, 1873.

31. The Association did not convene until 10:30, the delegates being detained in consequence of the rain. Eld. J. N. Hoggard led in prayer.

32. On motion of Prof. Delke, the reading of the record and the calling of the roll were omitted.

33. On motion of same, the preaching of the Conventional Sermon was postponed from 11 A. M., to 12 M.

34. On motion of same, a committee was appointed to prepare an obitual notice of Eld. Henry Speight, dec'd, to be appended to these minutes. This duty was assigned to brother J. F. Howell.

35. Eld. Harrison, of the committee to nominate preachers for next session. made the following report:

To preach Introductory Sermon: Eld. John Mitchell; *Alternate:* Eld. R. R. Savage.
To preach Conventional Sermon: Eld. J. N. Hoggard; *Alternate:* Eld. B. B. Williams.

The report was adopted.

36. On motion, Eld. Overby was released from preaching the Conventional Sermon, and Dr. Wingate was requested to perform that duty.

37. On motion, it was decided that the next session of this Association should convene on Tuesday before the third Sunday in May, 1874.

38. The report on Temperance, having been recommitted on yesterdry, was submitted by the committee. After much discussion, the subject was referred to a special committee, consisting of Elds. Overby, McDowell and Mitchell, to report at our next session.

39. Eld. Overby offered the following

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee on Periodicals report the following: Believing the circulation of religious literature to be a most potent agency in the dissemination of religious truth, the promotion of social order and the spiritual development of the churches, we would most heartily commend to our brethren the *Biblical Recorder*, *Home and Foreign Journal*, *and Kind Words.*

R. R. OVERBY,
W. B. FEREBEE,
Committee.

The report was adopted after addresses by Elds. Overby, N. B. Cobb, McDowell, Williams and brother Mills.

40. The hour for Conventional Sermon having arrived the Association suspended business, and Dr. Wingate preached from Luke xvnı, 29-30: "And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you there is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children for the Kingdom of God's sake, who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come, life everlasting."

The committee to take up a collection after sermon, consisted of brethren A. J. Dunning, D. E. Taylor, N. L. Shaw and John Burden. Amount of collection, $49.40.

41. On motion, the Association adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 22d, 1873.

42. The Moderator called the Association to order at 3 o'clock.

43. The committee on Finance submitted the following report:

By Balance in hand from last report, - - -		$174 88
By present contributions from the Churches, -		137 95
		$312 83
CONTRA.		
To printing minutes for session 1872, - -	$120 00	
To amount paid for transcribing, - -	25 00	
To amount paid Education Board, - -	44 00	$189 00
Amount in hand, - - -		$123 83

On motion, the report was adopted:

44. The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

Chowan B. F. Institute: H. B. Parker, Langley Taylor J. G. Moore.

Baptist State Convention: T. W. Babb, M. L. Eure, J. F. Howell.

W. F. College: R. R. Savage, W. C. Parker, R. T. Barnes.

Periodicals: John Mitchell, A. McDowell, J. A. Delke.

Messengers to Corresponding Bodies:

To Portsmouth, Va., Association: R. R. Savage, J. F. Tuttle, J. P. Lee, J. A. Delke, J. N. Hoggard.

To Eastern Association: A. McDowell, R. R. Overby, John Mitchell.

To Baptist State Convention: All ordained ministers of this Association who may be present.

45. The Committee on Sabbath School Statistics handed in their report, which, on motion, was ordered to be appended to the minutes.

46. Eld. Babb presented the following

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee are happy to report the fact that the followers of Christ are beginning to regard the Sabbath School as the best theological school where our children can be trained for usefulness in the vineyard of the Lord. There is evidently an increased interest manifested in this department of Christian labor, accompanied with the most encouraging results. Another feature very apparent is, that those laboring in this department are aiming to make our school more denominational, acting upon the divine injunction that we are not to teach ONE, but ALL the commandments the Lord our God has given us.

We have within our bounds 54 schools, 2,808 scholars and 81 conversions as reported at this session. We earnestly commend the plan adopted by the Sabbath School Board, and recommend a co-operation with our devoted and laborious brother N. B. Cobb, who is laboring to organize and systematize the work throughout the State.

T. W. BABB, *Ch'm'n.*

After addresses by Elds. Cobb, Babb and brother Delke, the report was adopted.

A collection was taken up for the State Sabbath School Board amounting to $16.50.

47. On motion, the report on Baptist State Convention was taken from the table, and adopted.

48. The motion of Eld. Harrison to appoint a committee to take into consideration the importance of providing for our ministers worn out in the service of the churches, previously laid on the table, was taken up and passed. Eld. Harrison, brethren D. P. Daughtry and Whitaker Myers constitute the committee.

49. Prof. Delke, of the Committee on Statistics of Benevolence, made a report, which was adopted and ordered to be appended to the minutes.

50. On motion of Eld. McLendon, Prof. Delke, in the absence of Eld. J. B. Richardson, was permitted to present the claims of Greensboro' church. Remarks were also submitted by Elds. McDowell and Mitchell. Amount of collection $10.06.

51. Elder McLendon presented the claims of Edenton church, and was followed in his appeal by Elds. Overby, McDowell and brother Delke. A collection was taken up amounting to $21.22.

52. Prof. Delke moved that 2,500 copies of the minutes be printed, and that the clerk be allowed the usual salary. Carried.

53. Brother Mills made a statement in regard to the Orphan Asylum, located at Oxford.

54. Bro. N. L. Shaw offered the following:

Resolved, That the gratitude and thankfulness of our hearts are due to our Heavenly Father for the brotherly love and Christian communion that have characterized our session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to this Church and to our brethren and friends of neighboring churches for the hospitality so generously and cheerfully extended to the delegates.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted.

55. The business of the session being completed, on motion, the Association adjourned.

56. The Moderator made some touching concluding remarks, exhorting the brethren to unity of purpose, and commending them to the God of Peace.

57. The Association engaged in praise and prayer, conducted by Eld. Cobb, after which the Moderator declared the body adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, MODERATOR.

W. C. PARKER, *Clerk.*

[A.]

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

IN THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1 ASKEW, WILLIAMSON.....Winton.
2 BABB, T. W. .....Gatesville.
3 BARBER, B. F.....Windsor.
4 BRIGGS, WELLS.....Manteo.
5 BUNCH, JEREMIAH.....Windsor.
6 BUNCH, EPHRAIM.....Gatesville.
7 CRAIG, A. M.....Windsor.
8 ETHERIDGE, D. V.....Edenton.
9 FLEETWOOD, J. C.....Margarettsville.
10 HARRELL, DAVID.....Windsor.
11 HARRISON, TREZEVANT.....Hertford.
12 HOGGARD, THOMAS.....Colerain.
13 HOGGARD, J. N.....Murfreesboro'.
14 HOWELL, ED.....Gatesville.
15 HUFHAM, J. D.....Warsaw.
16 KING, B. F. .....Windsor.
17 LEARY, WEST.....Edenton.
18 LEE, JOHN P.....Murfreesboro'.
19 MAGET, W. L.....St. Johns.
20 McDOWELL, A.. .....Murfreesboro'.
21 MITCHELL, JOHN.....Murfreesboro'.
22 MIZZELL, M. L.....Windsor.
23 OVERBY, R. R.....Elizabeth City.
24 PARKER, H. B.....Murfreesboro'.
25 PEARCE, ED. .....Merry Hill.
26 ROBERTS, D. J.....Hertford.
27 ROCHELLE, J. J.....Jackson.
28 SANDERLIN, D.....Camden C. H.
29 SIMPSON, Q. T.....Elizabeth City.
30 SAVAGE, R. R.....Murfreesboro'.
31 TUTTLE, J. F.....Elizabeth City.
32 WILLIAMS, B. B.....Colerain.

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.—B.

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Vols. in Library.	No. Kind Words taken.	No. Baptist Teachers taken.	Other papers.	Mos. kpt op'n	Contributions for the year.		
													S. School Board.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie,	1	Joseph Hollomon, Winton,	30	18	140	90	...	350	...	...	...	6	....	.....	.....
Ballard's Bridge,	3	A. J. Parrisher, H. Griffin, J. W. White, Wardsville.	31	25	159	145	12	274	15	...	20	8	....	$16 00	16 00
Berea,	1	W. S. Temple, Elizabeth City	32	20	125	75	...	100	40	...	...	9	....	.....	.....
Bethel,	2	Whitaker Myers, James Arps, Hertford	20	15	97	75	...	200	32	...	...	7	....	15 00	15 00
Bethlehem,	2	N. L. Shaw, Harrellsville, T. Q. Copeland, Petty Shore,	12	6	80	60	3	125	35	...	...	12	$5 0	5 00	10 00
			11	5	50	40	...	22	16	...	...	6			
Buckhorn,	1	George A. Brett, Murfreesboro	8	...	25	.....	...	120	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Capehart's,	1	Jackson Roundtree, Merry Hill	11	6	47	39	1	50	...	...	...	7	....	.....	.....
Cashie,	1	D. E. Tayloe, Windsor	8	6	58	25	4	50	...	...	28	12	....	.....	.....
Cedar Branch,	..	No report	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Coleraine,	..	No school	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Connaritsa,	..	No school	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Cool Spring	..	No school	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Corinth,	1	George P. Barnett, Rich Square	11	8	100	75	4	150	...	...	16	6	....	.....	.....
Dudley's Grove,	1	R. J. Terry and R. A. Cook, Winton	8	5	66	35	12	26	...	...	...	6	....	.....	.....
Ebeneezer,	..	No school	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Edenton	1	Wm. E. Bond, Edenton	17	15	80	60	...	225	...	...	...	12	....	14 00	14 00
Elam,	1	Bennett E. Stephenson, Garysburg	4	3	20	12	...	75	10	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Elizabeth City,	2	O. C. Horton, Henry Wood, Elizabeth City	25	20	170	138	...	200	59	...	...	12	....	15 00	15 00
Galatia,	1	Elder J. C. Fleetwood, Margarettsville	6	5	49	40	...	100	15	...	23	10	....	.....	.....
Gatesville,	..	No school	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Great Hope,	..	No report	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Hamilton,	..	No report	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Hebron,	1	Wm. T. Livermon, Murfreesboro	8	6	25	20	...	....	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....
Hertford,	1	Jas. M. Skinner, Hertford	8	6	53	24	...	100	23	...	...	12	3 00	.....	3 00
Holly Grove,	..	No. school	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	.....	.....

Macedonia,	1	Joseph Copeland, Edenton	6	4	35	25		58				7				
Mars Hill,	1	H. H. Hobbs, Colerain	6	5	40	25		200	13			5				
Meherrin,	1	J. T. Elliott, Murfreesboro	5	4	37	30		150				6				
Middle Swamp,	1	W. H. Riddick, Gatesville	6	5	30	20						8				
Mt. Carmel,	1	R. T. Stephenson, Seaboard	7		48											
Mt. Tabor,	2	J. D. Gatling, W. C. Parker, Murfreesboro	11	11	72	65	20	200	12			12		10 00	10 00	
Mt. Zion,	1	Wm. R. Spruill, Columbia	9		28			50	10			8		5 00	5 00	
Murfreesboro',	1	L. T. Spiers, Murfreesboro	14	12	130	100		230	29		10	12		13 30	13 30	
Piney Grove,	1	Joseph Smith, Reynoldson	5	4	30	20		75	10			10	6 00		6 00	
Pleasant Grove,		No school reported														
Plymouth,	1	J. E. Jackson, Plymouth	9	7	25	15		120				7		10 00	10 00	
Potecasi,	2	G. W. Cook, Potecasi	12	9	130	110	7	130	34			9		40 00	40 00	
Powell's Point,		No school														
Providence,		No report														
Ramoth Gilead,	2	M. W. Buffkin, J. T. Spence, Rose Dale	12	6	75	50		100	40			8				
Republican,	1	W. H. Bunch, Windsor	8		60			75				8				
Roanoke Island,		No report														
Robert's Chapel,	1	Jas. H. Edwards, Boykin's Depot, Va	10	8	57	50	4	50			6	6		4 00	4 00	
Rocky Hock,	2	C. D. Ellis, E. Byrum, Edenton, N. C	10	8	50	40		250				12				
Ross' Church,		No school														
Salem,	2	Samuel Modlin, Elizabeth City	13		44			170				8				
Sandy Cross,		No report														
Sandy Run,	1	John C. Tynes, Roxobel	5	3	25	20						6				
Sawyer's Creek,	1	W. B. Ferebee, Camden C. H	21	15	170	75	18	300				12	7 00	12 00	19 00	
Shady Grove,	1		8		40											
Sharon,	1	Austin Parisher, Columbia	2	2	60	55	1	40	10			7				
Shiloh,	3	E. P. Dailey, Shiloh, N. C	40	30	100	75	5	400	100			12		10 00	10 00	
Sound Side,	1	J. G. Brickhouse, Columbia	10	10	40	40	3	195				7	6 00		6 00	
Warwick,		No school														
Weldon,		No report														
White Oak,		No report														
Whiteville Grove	2	John Turner, Wm. Stanton, Belvedere	12	8	100	60	7	150	61			7				
Yoppim,	1	Jos. T. Waff, Edenton	13	8	48	36		240				9		12 18	12 18	
			494	328	2818	2164	101	5340	564		103		2700	181 48	208 48	

FINANCIAL TABLE---C.

CHURCHES.	White Membership.	White Male Membership.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educat'n Board.	S. S. Board.	Church Extens'n.	W. F. College.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Exp'nses	Other Objects.	PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educat'n Board.	S. S. Board.	W. Forest College.	Ass't'nal Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie,	335	136	4 50	.....	45 35	.....	.....	.....	200 00	240 00	.....	.....	8 84	.....	.....	....	5 00	.....	503 69
Ballard's Bridge,	471	155	25 00	7 65	.....	.....	18 00	400 0	125 00	37 50	80 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	4 00	.....	697 40
Berea,	201	77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	3 00	.....	3 00
Bethel,	266	86	12 00	12 00	12 00	.....	25 00	.....	225 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	4 50	.....	290 50
Bethlehem,	225	89	27 70	37 50	.....	.....	350 0	.....	200 00	40 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	4 00	.....	684 20
Buckhorn,	109	40	20 00	16 00	35 00	.....	.....	.....	135 00	60 00	80 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2 00	.....	348 00
Capehart's,	291	119	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 00	80 00	.....	5 00	10 00	4 60	.....	....	2 50	.....	227 10
Cashie,	276	72	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	125 00	50 00	25 00	8 50	4 05	11 00	.....	....	5 00	16 00	.....
Cedar Branch,*	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Colerain,	370	110	10 00	10 00	5 00	35 00	.....	.....	150 00	25 00	15 95	....	.....	.....	.....	....	2 50	.....	253 45
Connaritsa,	266	79	3 75	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	620 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	3 00	.....	729 75
Cool Spring,	222	79	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2 00	.....	7 00
Corinth,	114	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....	10 30	5 30	.....	.....	....	2 00	.....	167 60
Dudley's Grove,	63	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	115 25	.....	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	....	1 00	.....	162 25
Ebenezer,	93	28	31 00	31 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	250 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2 00	.....	314 00
Edenton,	124	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300 00	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2 00	.....	377 00
Elam,	90	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1 50	.....	211 50
Elizabeth City,	216	53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500 00	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	3 00	.....	578 00
Galatia,	123	56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	135 00	162 00	.....	3 10	.....	.....	.....	....	2 05	.....	302 15
Gatesville,	55	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	25 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	...	2 00	.....	144 00
Great Hope,*	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Hamilton,*	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Hebron,	114	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 00	150 00	.....	6 30	.....	.....	.....	....	2 00	.....	283 30
Hertford,	56	17	....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	375 00	235 00	.....	2 50	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 50	1 50	3 00	632 50
Holly Grove,	86	27	.....	35 00	10 00	.....	.....	150 0	125 00	12 48	114 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2 00	.....	448 48
Macedonia,	56	26	3 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1 00	.....	56 83
Mars Hill,†	112	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2 00	.....	2 00

Meherrin,	258	93							150 00	72 85		8 35	8 35				3 00		242 55
Middle Swamp,	101	39							125 00	1,200	20 00						3 00		1,348 00
Mt. Carmel,	220	69							160 00			14 65	14 65				2 50		191 80
Mt. Tabor,	215	94	20 00		45 00			20 00	150 00	14 00	42 51		20 00		10 00		4 00		325 51
Mt. Zion,	39	14								82 00							2 00		84 00
Murfreesboro',	57	16	20 00	93 37	25 18		20 00		500 00	76 95	200 00						2 50		938 00
Piney Grove,	94	34	34 00						125 00	10 00	125 00	16 00	26 00	10 00	5 00		2 00		353 00
Pleasant Grove,‡	109	49															4 00		4 00
Plymouth,	35	13							75 00	40 00							1 50		116 50
Potecasi,	211	81							225 00	135 00		11 27	11 27				2 00		384 54
Powell's Point,‡	58	22															1 00		1 00
Providence,*																			
Ramoth Gilead,	164	71	25 00						400 00	10 20							3 00		438 00
Republican,	238	82															3 00		3 00
Roanoke Island,*																			
Robert's Chapel,	176	56						176 0	150 00	50 00	3 00	3 31					3 00		385 31
Rocky Hock,	259	103						10 00	150 00	25 00	30 00						3 00		218 00
Ross' Church,	374	120							100 00	30 00	200 00		6 00				2 50		338 50
Salem,	126	43							150 00								2 00		152 00
Sandy Cross,																			
Sandy Run,	234	86							225 00	306 00		10 00	10 00	10 00			3 00		564 00
Sawyer's Creek,	424	140							1000 0		12 00	20 00	5 00	5 00			5 00		1,047 00
Shady Grove,	75								75 00								1 00		76 00
Sharon,‡	22	7															1 00		1 00
Shiloh,	310	99	5 00	10 00					250 00	50 00		5 00					3 00		323 00
Sound Side,	138	40								32 00							1 50		33 50
Warwick,	166	56							40 00	10 00	1 50						2 00		53 50
Weldon,‡																	1 00		1 00
Whiteville Grove	200	63							150 00	170 00							2 00		322 00
White Oak,*																			
Yeoppim,	153	71	23 77	12 50		5 00			200 00	30 00							2 50		273 77
			265 05	268 02	177 57	65 00	426 00	756 00	7,935 00	4,498 73	1,044 21	129 28	136 46	43 60	19 00	1 50	127 55	19 00	15,911 97

*No report; †Report misplaced by the Committee; ‡Report incomplete.

STATISTICAL TABLE.---D.

Number.	CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION.	SABBATHS OF PREACHING.	Additions.			Diminuti'ns.			White Males.	W. Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	Total	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND THEI
				Baptisms.	Letter.	Restoration	Letter.	Exclusion.	Deaths.							
1	Ahoskie,, ...	Hertford, 1812,....	4th,	...	9	2	9	6	10	136	199	335	...	3	R. R. Savage,.....	W, W. Mitchell, Winton
2	Ballard's Bridge,.	Chowan, 1781,.....	2d,	25	8	4	8	13	12	155	316	471	34	5	D. V. Roberts,....	Edward Pierce, Edentor
3	Berea, ...	Pasquotank, 1856,..	2d,	...	4	..	6	2	5	77	124	201	...	2	J. M. C. Luke,....	R. N. Morgan, Elizabeth
4	Bethel, ...	Perquimans, 1806,..	2d,	...	2	..	4	5	7	86	180	266	..	2	B. B. Williams,...	Geo. W. Bonner, Hertfo
5	Bethlehem,.....	Hertford, 1835,.....	1st & 3rd,	15	6	8	9	11	3	89	136	225	1	2	J. N. Hoggard, ...	Norman L. Shaw, Harre
6	Buckhorn,.....	Hertford, 1835,.....	2d & 4th,	1	1	..	4	2	1	40	69	109	8	1	R. R. Savage,.....	J. H. Picot, Riddicksvill
7	Capeharts, ...	Bertie, 1824, ...	2d,	5	4	1	13	2	9	119	172	291	8	2	Thos. Hoggard,...	Geo. W. Cobb, Windsor,
8	Cashie,.	Bertie, 1798, ...	1st,	17	9	1	1	1	7	72	204	276	10	2	Jeremiah Bunch,..	S. J. Wheeler, Windsor,
9	Cedar Branch,....	Martin, 1869.....	.....	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	45	...		.....	.....
10	Colerain,.....	Bertie, 1789, ...	3d,	...	6	1	5	4	8	110	260	370	7	3	B. B. Williams,...	W. B. Watford, Colerain
11	Connaritsa,.....	Bertie, 1798, ...	3d,	11	9	2	16	5	3	79	187	266	2	2	Thos. Hoggard,....	A. J. Dunning, St. Johns
12	Cool Spring,.....	Gates, 1826,.....	1st,	...	...	..	7	3	3	29	143	222	...	2	J. P. Lee, ...	Mills L. Green, Winton,
13	Corinth,.....	Northampton, 1854,	1st & 3d,	8	5	4	8	8	4	37	83	114	1	1	H. B. Parker,.....	Albert Vann, Rich Squa
14	Dudley's Grove, .	Hertford, 1872,.....	1st,	21	18	..	7	2	...	30	33	63	...		Williamson Askew,	Jas. O. Harrington, St. J
15	Ebenezer.	Camden, 1829,.....	3d,	6	3	3	3	10	2	28	65	93	...		J. F. Tuttle,.....	J. N. Overton, South Mil
16	Edenton,.....	Chowan, 1816,.....	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	...	1	..	1	...	2	40	84	124	69	1	J. J. McLenden,...	J. H. Garrett, Edenton,
17	Elam,.....	Northampton, 1844,	2d,	5	...	..	1	2	1	20	70	90	...		J. P. Lee,.....	Joseph Barham, Garysbu
18	Elizabeth City, ..	Pasquotank, 1786,..	1st, 2d, 4th,	...	1	..	7	5	9	53	163	216	...	2	J. F. Tuttle, ...	S. E. Overby, Elizabeth
19	Galatia,.....	Northampton, 1859,	2d & 4th,	...	2	..	...	1	1	57	67	123	1	1	John Mitchell,...	Jas. A. Coggins, Margare
20	Gatesville, ...	Gates, 1854,.....	3d,	...	11	..	...	...	...	24	31	55	...		J. P. Lee,.....	M. L. Eure, Gatesville,..
21	Great Hope,.....	Perquimans, 1869,..	.....	...	...	..	...	...	...	34	28	62	...		.....	.....
22	Hamilton,.	Martin,-	.....	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		.....	.....
23	Hebron, ...	Northampton, 1856,	3d,	...	1	..	3	1	5	52	62	114	...	1	H. B. Parker,.....	.....
24	Hertford, ...	Perquimans, 1854,..	1st & 3d,	...	3	..	...	...	1	17	39	56	...		T. Harrison,.....	Jos. E. Blanchard, Woodl
25	Holly Grove, ...	Bertie, 1804, ...	1st,	1	...	..	6	1	3	27	59	86	18	1	J. Mitchell,.....	P. H. Welsh, Hertford,..
26	Macedonia,.....	Chowan, 1856,.....	3d,	1	...	..	1	1	3	26	30	56	1		W. Leary,.....	J. W. Mitchell, Pitch Lan
27	Mars Hill.....	Bertie, 1854, ...	4th,	...	1	1	9	5	1	48	64	112	...	1	B. B. Williams,...	W. H. Bonner, Edenton,.
28	Meherrin,.....	Hertford, 1773,.....	1st,	31	2	1	4	4	5	93	165	258	20	2	J. N. Hoggard, ...	G. G. Morriss, Colerain,.
29	Middle Swamp,..	Gates, 1806,.....	2d,	...	...	1	10	2	2	39	62	101	...	1	T. W. Babb,.....	O. Parker, Murfreesboro',
30	Mt. Carmel,.....	Northampton, 1823,	4th,	18	2	..	3	5	1	60	151	220	1	2	J. N. Hoggard,....	W. H Riddick, Gatesville
31	Mt. Tabor,.....	Hertford, 1839,.....	3d,	29	7	2	14	6	7	94	121	215	13	2	R. R. Savage,.....	Isaac Peele, Jackson,....
32	Mt. Zion,.....	Tyrell, 1852, ...	2d,	...	...	..	...	2	1	14	25	39	...		one,.....	Thos. M. Parker, Murfree
33	Murfreesboro', ...	Hertford, 1842,.....	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	...	3	..	11	...	...	16	41	57	...		no. Mitchell,.....	Jos. A. Spruill, Columbia
34	Piny Grove,.....	Gates, 1827,.....	4th,	...	1	..	1	3	5	34	60	94	18	1	W. Babb,.....	L. T. Spiers, Murfreesbor
35	Pleasant Grove,..	Hertford, 1837.....	2d,	9	2	..	2	1	3	49	60	109	...	1	H. B. Parker,.....	J. F. Howell, Reynoldson,
36	Plymouth, ...	Washington, 1868,..	2d.	1	3	..	1	5	...	14	22	35	...		Q. T. Simpson,....	J. G. Moore, St. Johns, ..
37	Potecasi,.....	Northampton, 1808,	2d,	11	4	..	1	...	5	81	130	211	...	2	J. N. Hoggard, ...	J. Jackson, Plymouth,....
38	Powell's Point,...	Currituck, 1804,....	4th,	...	...	..	...	5	3	22	36	58	...		.....	H. C. Edwards, Woodland
39	Providence, ...	Currituck, 1826,....	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	64	88	...	1	R. R. Overby,.....	Alex. Owens, California...
40	Ramoth Gilead,..	Pasquotank, 1808,..	4th,	12	1	..	4	13	9	71	93	164	...	1	J. M. C. Luke,.....	L. H. Babb, Indian Ridge
41	Republican,.....	Bertie, 1834, ...	2d & 4th,	17	3	3	3	3	7	82	156	238	11	2	J. Bunch,.....	J. R. Etheridge, Rose Dal
42	Roanoke Island,..	Currituck, 1807,....	.....	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	90	...		.....	Erwin Pritchard, Windsor
43	Robert's Chapel,..	Northampton, 1848,	1st,	...	1	..	12	12	8	56	120	176	12	1	R. R. Savage,.....	.....
44	Rocky Hock,.....	Chowan, 1835,.....	1st,	16	1	..	4	4	5	103	156	259	...	2	B. B. Williams,...	Wm. Boone, Murfreesboro
45	Ross' Church,....	Bertie, 1804, ...	4th,	41	5	2	5	10	7	120	254	374	10	3	Thos. Hoggard,...	Wm. F. Boyce, Edenton,.
46	Salem,.....	Pasquotank, 1790,..	1st,	...	3	1	5	4	6	43	83	126	...	1	W. Leary,.....	J. L. White, Windsor, ...
47	Sandy Cross,....	Gates, 1828,.....	.....	...	...	..	...	...	...	121	221	342	...	3	.....	Wm. Cartwright, Elizabet
48	Sandy Run,.....	Bertie, 1750, ...	2d & 4th,	36	1	2	3	4	2	86	148	233	6	2	J. Bunch, ...	.....
49	Sawyer's Creek,..	Camden, 1790,.....	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	25	5	6	10	12	...	140	282	424	...	4	R. R. Overby,....	J. R. Powell, Hotel, ...
50	Shady Grove, ...	Currituck, 1829,....	3d,	...	1	..	1	3	3	...	...	75	...		.....	T. B. Boushall, Camden, C
51	Sharon,.....	Tyrrell, 1869,.....	1st,	8	...	..	...	1	...	7	15	22	1		No Pastor,.....	Name not given, ...
52	Shiloh, ...	Camden, 1757,.....	1st & 3d,	14	4	4	2	18	4	99	211	310	...	3	R. R. Overby, ...	A. Parisher, Columbia,...
53	Sound Side,.....	Tyrrell, 1831,.....	2d,	16	...	1	...	11	2	40	98	138	...	1	No Pastor,.....	L. B. Sanderlin, Shiloh,..
54	Warwick, ...	Chowan, 1861,.....	3d,	...	2	..	4	...	2	56	110	166	...	1	E. Bunch,.....	J. G. Brickhouse, Columbi
55	Weldon, ...	Halifax,.....	.....	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		W. T. Walters,....	Jas. H. Kelly, Gatesville,
56	Whiteville Grove,	Perquimans, 1851,..	3d,	20	2	1	1	...	1	63	137	200	2	2	T. J. Knapp, ...	.....
57	White Oak,.....	Bertie, 1856,.....	.....	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		.....	W. C. Simpson, Belvedere
58	Yoppim, ...	Chowan, 1775,.....	4th,	1	3	1	1	8	9	71	82	153	13	1	T. J. Knapp,.....	.....
				421	160	53	230	226	195	3210	5973	9394	267	96		J. T. Waff, Edenton,.....

*Absent.

TABLE OF THE CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.---E.

	CLERK	ASSISTANT CLERK.	PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON.	TEXT.	Church's.	Baptisms	Total Membership.	Contributions.
.	Lemuel Burkitt,.....	.....	.....	.....	18	55	1750	£12 12s 0d
.	Lemuel Burkett,.....	James Ross,.....	Martin Ross,.....	1 Cor. xiv:40,.....	19	68	1947	9 12 6
.	Aaron Spivey.....	James Ross,.....	James Ross,.....	Songs, viii:5,.....	20	80	1768	12 16 0
.	John Hamilton,.....	James Wright,.....	James Nowell,.....	1 Cor. xiii:13,.....	21	62	1780	12 5 0
.	Aaron Spivey.....	William Dossey,.....	Aaron Spivey.....	Hag. i:7,.....	22	64	1756	16 0 0
.	Richard Poindexter,....	.....	Richard Poindexter,.....	Psalms, xcii:12,.....	23	158	1789	16 0 0
.	James Wright,.....	.....	John Brice,.....	2d Tim. iv:2,.....	23	115	1843	11 12 6
.	James Wright,.....	William Spence,.....	James Wright,.....	Cant. 2:3,.....	23	185	1919	$35 00
.	James Wright..... ..	David Pritchard,.....	Nathaniel Pruden,.....	Songs ii:10, 11, 12,.....	23	71	1916	34 50
.	James Wright,.....	John Wheeler,.....	James Ross,.....	Nahum i:7,.....	23	68	1820	34 50
.	James Wright,.....	John Wheeler,.....	Martin Ross,.....	Heb. ii:1, 2, 3,.....	22	138	2013	39 00
.	James Wright,..... ..	Thos. Meredith,.....	Luther Rice,.....	Psalms viii:4,.....	22	123	1756	32 50
.	Thos. Meredith,.....	.....	John Rowe,.....	Isaiah lv:5,.....	22	70	1755	45 50
.	James Wright,.....	.....	Aaron Spivey,.....	Heb. xii:1, 2,.....	22	75	1556	36 00
.	James Wright,.....	—— Newbern,.....	Martin Ross,.....	Judges viii:4,.....	22	54	1745	33 50
.	James Wright,.....	Edward Wood,.....	Aaron Spivey,.....	Mark xiii:27,.....	22	55	1756	34 50
.	James Wright,.....	Hardy Cobb,.....	Martin Ross,.....	1 Chron. xii:32,.....	23	227	1952	39 00
.	James Wright,.....	John Peellee,.....	John Harrell,.....	Zech. xiii:1,.....	24	351	2236	40 00
.	James Wright,.....	Simon Turner,.....	Jere Etheridge,.....	John viii:56,.....	25	964	3134	44 50
.	James Wright,.....	James G. Hall,.....	— Jordan,.....	1 John i:18,.....	26	294	3023	46 50
.	James Wright,.....	James G. Hall,.....	John Harrell,.....	Mark i:15.....	26	32	3192	40 50
.	James G. Hall,.....	Edmund Hoskins,.....	James Wright,.....	Cant. iv:12,.....	28	246	3200	47 62
.	James G. Hall,.....	John Peele,.....	James Ross,.....	Rev. xxi:24,.....	29	284	3381	45 50
.	James G. Hall,.....	John Peele,.....	Reuben Lawrence,.....	Mat. vi:33,.....	30	110	3160	46 50
.	James G. Hall,.....	S. J. Wheeler and A. Spivey,.....	G. M. Thompson, ...	1 Cor. x:4,.....	32	191	3282	50 00
.	James G. Hall,.....	A. Spivey, ...	Thos. Meredith,.....	Heb. xi:6,.....	31	414	3285	47 82
.	A. J. Spivey,.....	.....	Geo. M. Thompson,.....	Isaiah xlii:11,.....	31	597	3765	56 00
.	A. J. Spivey,.....	.....	John Harrell,.....	Rev. xix:9,.....	33	190	3819	56 42
.	A. J. Spivey,.....	Wm. Darden,.....	Q. H. Trotman,.....	1 John iii:2,.....	34	122	3664	52 50
.	John Peele,.....	Jas. Pruden,.....	Reuben Lawrence,.....	Isaiah lx:1,.....	38	218	3394	54 00
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	.....	A. M. Craig,.....	John x:24,.....	38	466	3828	55 20
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. W. Darden, S. T. Bond,.....	Evans Forbes,.....	Mat. vii:12,.....	40	392	4368	56 20
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	C. Salstonstall, Wm. Darden,.....	R. Lawrence,.....	1 Cor. xv:58,.....	40	541	4818	57 50
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	Q. H. Trotman, D[illegible]illybridge, ...	G. M. Thompson,.....	Acts iv:13,.....	42	609	5140	65 25
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	Sam'l T. Bond,.....	Q. H. Trotman,.....	1 Peter i:5,.....	42	1,329	5783	65 50
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew, S. T. Bond,.....	John Nowell,.....	Mark iii:35,.....	42	410	6485	62 50
.	R. B. Cobb. *pro tem*.....	Eld. Waff, A. W. Darden,.....	Eld. Waff,.....	Gal. v:25,.....	42	332	6433	69 75
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew, S. T. Bond,.....	G. M. Thompson,.....	Psalms, cxxxvii:5, 6,...	42	378	6470	69 75
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	S. T. Bond, W. D. Pritchard,.....	Eld. Sanderlin,.....	Phil. i:8to10,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew, W. D. Pritchard,.....	Q. H. Trotman,.....	Mark xvi:15,.....	45	792	7901	84 00
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, S. T. Bond,.....	M. R. Fory,.....	1 Cor. iii:12, 13,.....	45	545	7981	69 75
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, S. T. Bond,.....	Aaron Jones,.....	Col. i:14,.....	47	644	7970	90 80
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, C. W. Johnson, ..	W. M. Wingate,.....	Acts ii:44, 45, 46,.....	43	553	9031	90 50
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, W. Darden,.....	W. W. Kone,.....	I Thess. ii:13, 14, 15,...	52	837	10811	106 50
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	R. D. Simpson, H. Edwards,.....	T. J. Knapp,.....	Jer. 1:17,.....	53	625	11054	85 50
.	John Mitchell,.....	J. D. Barnes, ...	B. B. Williams,.....	Heb. v:9,.....	53	41	11034	41 00
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	H. C. Edwards. A. Adkins,.....	R. B. Jones,.....	1 Peter i-23,.....	52	596	10674	386 30
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,.....	J. Mitchell,.....	Rom. iii:21, ...	53	723	10525	149 21
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,.....	R. R. Overby,.....	Exodus. xiv:15,.....	52	922	10206	18,154 93
.	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,.....	J. M. C. Luke,.....	Jer. xvii.9,.....	53	327	10725	13,925 14
.	W. C. Parker,.....	A. J. Cobb,.....	J. D. Huf ham,.....	Mat. viii:11,.....	56	612	9705	7,751 85
.	W. C. Parker,.....	A. Bass, W. H. Powell,.....	John Mitchell,.....	Acts ix:31, ...	57	468	9898	14,102 84
.	W. C. Parker,.....	A. J. Cobb, W. H. Riddick,.....	T. J. Knapp,.....	Josh. xxiii36,.....	56	457	9436	12,589 53
.	W. C. Parker,.....	A. J. Cobb, L. W. Babb,.....	R. R. Savage,.....	Rom. viii:6,.....	58	820	10251	15,002 28
.	W. C. Parker,.....	N. L. Shaw,.....	T. W. Babb,.....	Isaiah lxii:1,.....	58	421	9661	15,911 97

le of minutes belonging to the Association being in the hands of Eld. J. D. Huf ham, and not accessible to the Clerk. If any brother has a copy of the minutes of 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1863, 1864, he will greatly oblige the Clerk by forwarding them to him. The Contributions up to the year 1867 include the orted by the churches; snbsequent to that time, all the expenses are included, but the reports from many of the churches are incomplete.

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHOWAN

Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

GATESVILLE, GATES CO., N. C.,

May 12, 13 and 14, 1874.

G. C. MOORE, *Moderator*, St. Johns.
W. C. PARKER, *Clerk*, Murfreesboro'.
W. W. MITCHELL, *Treasurer*, Winton.

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

IN THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. Askew, Williamson.....Winton.
2. Babb, T. W.....Gatesville.
3. Barber, B. F.....Windsor.
4. Briggs, Wells.....Manteo.
5. Bunch, Ephriam.....Gatesville.
6. Bunch, Jeremiah.....Windsor.
7. Cohen, A. D.....Edenton.
8. Craig, A. M.....Windsor.
9. Etheridge, D. V.....Manteo.
10. Fleetwood, J. C.....Margarettsville.
11. Harrison, Trezevant.....Hertford.
12. Hoggard, J. N.....Murfreesboro'.
13. Hoggard, Thomas.....Colerain.
14. Horton, O. C.....Elizabeth City.
15. Howell, Ed.....Gatesville.
16. Hufham, J. D.....Warsaw.
17. King, B. F.....Windsor.
18. Leary, West.....Edenton.
19. Lee, John P.....Murfreesboro'.
20. Maget, W. L.....Plymouth.
21. McDowell, A.....Murfreesboro'.
22. Mitchell, John.....“
23. Mizell, M. L.....Windsor.
24. Overby, R. R.....Elizabeth City.
25. Parker, H. B.....Murfreesboro'.
26. Pearce, Ed.....Merry Hill.
27. Roberts, D. J.....Hertford.
28. Rochelle, J. J.....Jackson.
29. Sanderlin, D.....Camden C. H.
30. Simpson, Q. T.....Plymouth.
31. Savage, R. R.....Murfreesboro'.
32. Tuttle, J. F.....Elizabeth City.
33. White, J. W.....Merry Hill.
34. Williams, B. B.....Colerain.

PROCEEDINGS.

GATESVILLE, N. C., }
TUESDAY, May, 12th, 1874. }

1. The Chowan Baptist Association met in its Sixty-Eighth Annual Session this day, with the Church at Gatesville.

2. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. John Mitchell from John 16: 12-15.

3. After the sermon the Association took a recess of one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, May 12th, 1874.

4. On re-assembling, the Moderator read the 90th Psalm. Dr. McDowell led in prayer.

5. Brethren R. D. Simpson, T. D. Boone, L. Tayloe were appointed a Committee on Finance.

6. Brethren J. A. Delke, N. L. Shaw and Mark Gregory constituted the Committee on Sabbath School Statistics.

7. Brethren L. H. Babb, M. Gillam and J. T. Waff were appointed a Committee on Statistics of Benevolence.

8. Brother L. D. L. Parker was appointed Assistant Clerk.

9. The Pastor and Deacons of the Church constituted the Committee on Religious Exercises.

10. Delegates from the Churches were enrolled as follows:

Ahoskie.—W. W. Mitchell, Nicholas Harrell, J. S. Mitchell.
Ballard's Bridge.—R. D. Simpson, John Churchwell,* Edward Pearce.
Berea.—S. F. Overman, H. C. Halsted, Miles Whitehurst.
Bethel.—Nathan Dail, W. M. Fleetwood, J. W. Trotman.
Bethlehem.—N. L. Shaw, Dr. R. P. Thomas, A. B. Adkins.
Buckhorn.—R. R. Savage, T. E. Vann, T. D. Boone.
Capeheart's.—Jno. N. Hoggard, Geo. W. Cobb, Jos. W. White.
Cashie.—Moses Gilliam, D. E. Tayloe, J. H. Harrell.
Cedar Branch.—B. F. Barber, H. H. Mizell, J. F. Harrison.
Colerain.—Wm. Nowell, Jos. W. Beasley, John L. Britton.
Chappell's Hill.—Francis Chappell,* Joseph Finch,* H. J. Lane.
Connaritsa.—Jesse R. Matthews, W. G. Burdin, A. J. Dunning.
Cool Spring.—M. L. Green, J. E. Story, E. A. Story.
Corinth.—Albert Vann,* S. E. Forest, Thomas Bowers.*

Dudley's Grove.—Williamson Askew, J. C. Rodgerson, Asa Saunders.
Ebenezer.—Joseph A. Spencer, David T. Pritchard.
Edenton.—A. D. Cohen, C. G. Manning, J. A. Woodard.
Elam.—Wm. T. Kee, Wm. T. Capel,* James H. Crocker.*
Elizabeth City.—J. F. Tuttle, O. C. Horton, E. Herriss.*
Galatia.—J. C. Fleetwood, Israel P. Parker, Jesse J. Deloatch.
Gatesville.—Nathaniel Harrell,* Hans Hofler,* Miles Gatling.
Great Hope.—Henry Ward, Augustus Saunders, John White.*
Green's Cross Roads.—Joseph W. White, Zacharias W. White.*
Hebron.—John A. Stephenson, J. E. Blanchard,* W. P. Liverman.*
Hertford.—D. P. Daughtrey, T. Harrison, P. H. Welch.
Holly Grove.—J. W. Mitchell, W. J. Freeman,* W. J. Rayner.*
Macedonia.—West Leary,* Stephen S. Leary,* P. F. White.*
Mars Hill.—B. B. Williams, A. Nowell, J. W. Perry.*
Meherrin.—John P. Lee, Elijah Vaughan, S. R. Joyner.
Middle Swamp.—W. Riddick, M. Lawrence,* T. T. Speight.
Mt. Carmel.—R. T. Stephenson, L. B. Stephenson,* W. J. Madrey.
Mt. Pleasant.—Jesse Norman Warren,* T. B. Bateman.
Mt. Tabor.—W. C. Parker, R. T. Vann, A. G. Newsome.
Mt. Zion.—Wm. R. Spruill,* Jas. A. Spruill.
Murfreesboro'.—John Mitchell, A. McDowell, J. A. Delke.
Piney Grove.—T. W. Babb, Geo. R. Eure,* T. E. Waff.
Pleasant Grove.—G. C. Moore, Willie Dunning, Langly Tayloe.
Plymouth.—W. L. Maget, Job Pearce, J. E. Jackson.
Potecasi.—A. E. Peele, C. Lassiter, H. H. Cook.
Powell's Point.—Not represented.
Providence.—L. H. Babb, J. B. Morgan,* J. J. Baxter.
Ramoth Gilead.—Wm. R. Williams, Jos. S. Jones, J. T. Spence.
Rehoboth.—Dorsey Sanderlin, Jasper Walker, Uriah Balance.
Republican.—J. Bunch, B. F. Baxter, W. H. Bunch.
Roanoke Island.—Not represented.
Robert's Chapel.—J. H. Edwards, S. K. Edwards,* D. N. Stephenson.
Rocky Hock.—R. R. Felton, W. B. Felton, E. Byrum.
Ross Church.—Kader White, W. H. Hughes, Jno. Mitchell.
Salem.—Barnard Berry, Reuben Pendleton, S. Modlin.
Sandy Cross.—W. H. Manning, Riddick Hofler,* Thos. J. Riddick.
Sandy Run.—J. R. Powell, D. H. Minton, M. W. Harrell.
Sawyer's Creek.—M. R. Gregory, W. B. Ferrebee, G. D. B. Pritchard.
Shady Grove.—T. F. Baxter, D. West, G. F. Dozier,*
Sharon.—A. Parisher, B. B. Bailey.
Shiloh.—Wells Briggs, E. G. Sanderlin, Thomas Palmer.*
Sound Side.—T. L. Gibson, J. E. Groves, J. G. Brickhouse.
Warwick.—E. Bunch, A. J. Ward, Alexander Ellis.
Weldon.—B. W. Spillman.
Whiteville Grove.—A. D. White, W. C. Simpson, R. W. Simpson.
White Oak.—Not represented.
Winton.—Jas. A. Vann, James Kiff, W. P. Taylor.
Yoppim.—John R. Simpson, Jas. T. Waff, J. N. Bass.

11. The Committee on Religious Exercises announced that Rev. J. M. C. Luke would preach in the Methodist Church at 3 o'clock.

12. The Association having been organized, on motion, it proceeded to the election of officers, resulting as follows: Dr. G. C. Moore, Moderator; W. C. Parker, Clerk; W. W. Mitchell, Treasurer.

*Absent.

13. Letters were read from the new churches at Winton, Chapel's Hill, Greens's Cross Roads, Mt. Pleasant and Rehoboth, asking admission into this body. The applications were, on motion, referred respectively to Committees, who, having reported favorably, the churches were received as constituent members of the Association, and the Moderator presented the right hand of fellowship to their delegates.

14. The letter from a minority of Cool Spring Church, complaining of the anti-missionary spirit and general misconduct of a majority of its members, and asking the advice of the Association, was, on motion, referred to a Committee consisting of Elders Overby, McDowell and Savage.

15. The Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren and to Messengers from Corresponding Bodies to seats with us, which was accepted by the following brethren: Rev. J. A. Speight, W. H. Morris, John Burgess, C. W. Kellinger. T. F. Rogers, from Portsmouth, Va., Association; Rev. W. T. Walters, D. D., Financial Secretary Wake Forest College; John T. Laurence and W. P. Whitaker, from Tar River Association; Rev. G. W. Sanderlin, Maryland Baptist Union Association; Rev. A. F. Redd, Editor *Biblical Recorder.*

16. Eld. Overby made a statement in regard to the needs of Shady Grove Church, commending to the Association the mission of Bro. West, who was soliciting funds in its behalf.

17. The Moderator appointed the following Committee to select time, place and preachers for the next meeting of the Association, viz: Jno. A. Vann, W. W. Mitchell, T. D. Boone.

18. Rev. John Mitchell read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

As an efficient aid to the ministry in the dissemination of gospel truth and the peculiar doctrines and practices of the Baptist denomination and the general spread of religious intelligence, we regard our periodical literature of prime importance.

We would earnestly recommend to our brethren the *Biblical Recorder* as our State organ, and bespeak for it a more extended circulation. No Baptist family in the State should be without this weekly visitant.

The *Home and Foreign Journal* we commend as as our denominational paper, showing how God blesses even our feeble efforts in responding to the Macedonian call.

To all Sunday Schools and families we would say, fail not to furnish the children with our Sabbath School organ, *Kind Words*, as a successful agent in bringing children to Christ.

JOHN MITCHELL, *Ch'm'n.*

The report was discussed by Elds. Redd, Hufham, Overby, brother J. S. Jones, Drs. Walters, McDowell and brother

Wilson M. Fleetwood. Pending the discussion the Association adjourned till 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder Wells Briggs.

Rev. R. R. Savage preached in the Baptist Church at 8 o'clock.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 13, 1874.

19. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Hymn "Am I a soldier of the Cross?" A portion of Scripture was read by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. A. D. Cohen. The roll was called and corrected by Assistant Clerk.

20. Rev. J. P. Lee, of the Committee on Religious Exercises, announced that Dr. Walters would preach at the Methodist Church at 11 o'clock, Rev. A. D. Cohen at 3 o'clock, and Rev. G. W. Sanderlin at the Baptist Church to-night at 8 o'clock.

21. The discussion of the Report on Periodicals was resumed, and after being participated in by Prof. Delke and Eld. Hufham, the report was adopted.

22. Rev. R. R. Overby submitted the following

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the subject of Temperance, submit the following: We have thought much upon this subject since our last meeting, and whilst there is much for which to be truly thankful, there is also very much over which to mourn.

We are thankful to be able to report that the cause of total abstinence from all that can intoxicate, is onward. The prospect of final success, we hope, brightens. Our cause is truth, and our hope in God. Still we are deeply pained when we remember that there are many of our brethren who use ardent spirits, and sell it to be used as a beverage.

In the judgment of your Committee, it is the bane of our churches, and one, if not the chief difficulty in the way of the progresa of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; therefore it is inconsistent with the spirit of Christianity to use, and especially to sell to be used, as a beverage, intoxicating liquors.

We earnestly recommend,

1st. That the churches admonish, kindly and faithfully, their members to discontinue its use.

2d. That the pastors preach more against the evil.

3d. That where drinking-houses are kept by church-members, they be earnestly and faithfully admonished by the church to abandon the wicked traffic, and that when the admonition of the church is rejected, the church withdraw its fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,

R. R. OVERBY, *Ch'm'n.*

The report was discussed by Elders Overby, Harrison, McDowell, Williams, Babb, Hufham, Savage and brethren

M. Gilliam and J. S. Jones, when Elder Williams proposed the following amendment:

That the Association earnestly recommend that the churches withdraw fellowship from those members who visit and drink habitually at tippling shops.

The amendment was accepted, and after further discussion by Elders Redd, Mitchell, Luke, H. B. Parker, brethren L. H. Babb and Wm. R. Williams, the report was adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned till 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 13th, 1874.

23. On re-assembling Elder Cohen made a statement in regard to Edenton Church, urging its claims upon the Association for aid to complete its house of worship. He was followed by Elder Huf ham and Prof. Delke, and on motion a committee consisting of Elders Cohen, Huf ham, and Prof. Delke, were appointed to solicit contributions in the congregation. Amount of cash collection $100; pledges $50.

24. Dr. Walters and brother Spillman made statements in regard to Weldon Church, and desired that the delegates present should, on their return home, ask the members of their churches to contribute each ten cents towards defraying the expenses of finishing their house of worship.

25. Eld. H. B. Parker presented the

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Your Committee beg leave to report the continued prosperity of this Institution. The number of pupils that have registered during the present session is one hundred and twenty-four, of whom one hundred and ten were boarders, making the number from abroad larger than during any previous year.

The health of the school has been fair, no case of death or serious illness having occurred.

Twice since your last meeting the Lord has blessed the school and community with the influence of His Spirit, and a considerable number have professed faith in Christ. May they, through grace, be faithful unto the end.

The financial condition is good. The committee recommend the Institution to the Baptists of North Carolina and elsewhere, as worthy of their patronage.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. PARKER, *Ch'm'n.*

After addresses by Drs. McDowell, Walters, Elders Redd, G. W. Sanderlin and Huf ham the report was adopted.

26. Elder T. W. Babb offered the following

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

This body, aiming to unite all the churches of the State in the work of spreading abroad a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus, and thereby to

increase their power and efficiency, is entitled to our prayerful and hearty support. We mention the following departments of labor as claiming special attention at present :

I. STATE MISSIONS.

"North Carolina for Jesus," should be our motto. It is the aim of the Board of Missions to aid in sustaining missionaries and building houses of worship in every part of the State. In the past, the efforts that have been made in this direction have been signally blessed of God. To them, perhaps, more than to any other human agency are we indebted for the present strength and influence of the denomination in the State. There is still a wide field open to us. There is still an amount of spiritual destitution in the State which calls upon us to act promptly and liberally in the matter. The board during the past year has been hindered in its work by want of funds. There is a considerable force of missionaries in the field, and their salaries are unpaid. Let us help them.

II. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The condition of our Foreign Missions, for a year past, has been peculiar. Our missionaries report the most ample encouragement in their fields of labor, and new fields are constantly opening before them And yet the Board of Missions have received so little to sustain these missionaries, that it has been seriously questioned whether we should not be compelled to drop some of them. Extraordinary efforts have been made. It is hoped that the embarrassments of the Board have been removed, and that our churches will not allow such a crisis to return. Certainly we have the ability to carry on the work in its present proportions, and greatly to enlarge it. Let not the willingness be wanting.

III. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The training of young ministers for the highest degree of efficiency in their great work has been an enterprise dear to the Baptists. To educate them by contributions from the churches is the only alternative, for our preachers are ordinarily poor men. From the first, God has set the seal of his blessing on the efforts of our brethren in this State in this enterprise. The first man educated by them has been for years one of our missionaries to China. Others, less distinguished, but not less efficient or earnest laborers in their sphere, have succeeded him. God has shown us that here, as elsewhere, we cannot labor in vain. There are now at our College only seven young brethren sustained by the churches. We shall need about five hundred dollars to carry them through to the close of the session. We would commend this matter to the prayerful consideration of the churches composing this body, and urge them to do their duty—their whole duty.

THOS. W. BABB, *Ch'm'n.*

On motion, the part relating to State Missions was taken up and adopted, after being discussed by Elders Babb, Hufham, Overby, Williams, Walters, brethren Delke and Shaw. Pending the discussion a collection was taken up for State Missions amounting in cash to $75.20; in pledges from the churches, to $386.50.

27. On motion the remainder of the report was adopted without discussion.

28. The Committee appointed to recommend time, place and preachers for next Association submitted the following:

Place—Cashie.
Time—Tuesday after 2nd Sunday in May.

To preach Introductory Sermon—Elder A. D. Cohen; Alternate, J. F. Tuttle.

To preach Conventional Sermon—Elder R. R. Overby ; Alternate, T. Harrison.

W. W. MITCHELL,
J. A. VANN,
T. D. BOONE,
Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

29. The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

By balance in hand from last report,		$ 123 83
By present contributions from the Churches,		133 40
		$ 257 23
To printing minutes of session of 1873,	$ 120 00	
To amount paid for transcribing,	25 00	
		$ 145 00
Amount in hand,		$ 112 23

Respectfully submitted,
R. D. SIMPSON,
T. D. BOONE,
L. TAYLOE,
Committee.

Adopted.

30. Brother D. P. Daughtry read the following report of the committee appointed at our last session to take into consideration the importance of providing for our Ministers worn out in the service of the Churches.

After carefully considering this question and weighing the relative duties of Baptist Churches, and their members, in connection with the legitimate work of our Association, your Committee arrived at the following conclusions, and submit the same as their report :

First. That it is the imperative duty of all Christians to administer to the necessities of the Saints of God, and that individuals as well as churches are placed under the most solemn obligations to carry out this principle in their Christian lives towards all the brethren whether in the ministry or of the laity, and that Churches, truly spiritual as Baptist Churches should be, would never submit to have their poor made dependant upon other charities for the necessaries of life.

Second. That our Associations, and other conventional bodies, having been formed for the promotion of educational and missionary interest, when they come together to consult upon the most efficient means to carry out our Lord's great commission, should not be encumbered with matters properly within the jurisdiction of the Churches, as they stand independent of each other, nor should such matters be placed under the patronage of our Association only so far as they pertain to educational or missionary work.

These conclusions, if adopted, leave the matter of providing for our "worn out Preachers" with the churches to which they belong; and whilst we have to deplore that these devoted servants of God are not always as well cared for as they should be, still we believe that every Church of Christ is individually responsible in this important duty. One object, however, of paramount importance to us as a denomination of Christians, we think,

should claim the attention of the Association, viz: The education of the orphans of our Preachers, who have spent their lives in the ministry and left their children without the means of being educated. This would come properly within the legitimate sphere of the Associations, and we believe that if our dear brethren in the ministry had the assurance that the education of their children were provided for after they had been called to their reward, that they would be relieved of one of the most trying apprehensions in life, and an embarrassment which must be a serious hindrance to their usefulness in their ministerial work.

Your committee would recommend the adoption of a resolution requesting through the Pastors and delegates present that all the churches of this Association make this new and important department of benevolence an object of special prayer and contribution in order that a fund be established to be used for this specific purpose.

D. P. DAUGHTRY,
W. H. MYERS,
T. HARRISON,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Eld. Harrison and adopted.

31. The Moderator announced the following standing committees:

Chowan Baptist Female Institute.—R. R. Savage, W. C. Parker, T. D. Boone.

Baptist State Convention.—John Mitchell, L. T. Spiers, J. A. Vann.

Wake Forest College.—A. McDowell, J. A. Delke, W. W. Mitchell.

Periodicals.—H. B. Parker, M. L. Eure, R. D. Simpson.

MESSENGERS TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

To Portsmorth, Va., Association.—T. W. Babb, R. R. Overby, A. McDowell, R. R. Savage, J. A. Delke.

To Eastern Association.—T. W. Babb, A. D. Cohen, J. N. Hoggard.

To Baptist State Convention.—All the ordained Ministers of this Association who may be present.

32. On motion of Elder Williams the subject of Temperance was added to our list of annual reports. Elder B. B. Williams, brethren N. L. Shaw and John Wilson, constitute the committee on that subject for next session.

33. On motion the Association adjourned after prayer by Elder J. F. Tuttle.

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 14th, 1874.

34. The Association convened at 9½ o'clock.

The Moderator read the 91st Psalm. Prayer by Dr. Walters.

35. Prof. Delke, of the Committee on Sabbath School Statistics, presented the following synopsis of his report:

In 1873, number of Churches, 58; number of Sabbath Schools, 53.
In 1874, number of Churches, 62; number of Sabbath Schools, 61.
In 1873, number of scholars, 2,818; contributions to S. S. Board, $27.00; other objects, $181.48.
In 1874, number of scholars, 2,743; contributions to S. S. Board, $63.03; other objects $209.26.
In 1873, number of conversons, 101.
In 1874, number of conversion, 223.
In 1873, number of *Kind Words* taken, 564.
In 1874, number of *Kind Words* taken, 483.

In connection with the subject addresses were delivered by brethren Delke, Overby, T. D. Boone and Walters. For full statistical report see Appendix.

36. The Committee to whom was referred the letter from Cool Spring made a verbal report, recommending that the delegates representing the minority of the church be recognized, and the appointment of a judicious committee to confer with the church, and endeavor to reconcile the difficulties existing there. The report was adopted, and the following brethren, by appointment of the Moderator, constitute the committee: R. R. Overby, M. L. Eure, John Mitchell, John A. Vann.

37. Brother W. H. Manning was appointed to prepare an obitual notice of Elder J. H. Speight, deceased, brother J. H. Howell appointed at last session for that purpose having left the State.

38. The Committee on Statistics and Benevolence reported through Brother L. H. Babb. The report, after correction, was adopted, and ordered to be appended.

39. Elder Williams offered the following:

WHEREAS, The church at Plymouth has commenced to build a house of worship, and for the want of funds is unable to complete it;
AND WHEREAS, We believe it to be our duty to aid in this enterprise; therefore
Resolved, That the churches be earnestly requested to take up collections during the year to aid in the completion of the church house at Plymouth.

The resolution was discussed by Elders Williams, Hufham, and brother Delke, and amended by appointing Elds. Williams, Luke, brother Delke and sister Cartwright to wait on the congregation, and solicit contributions for all the churches desiring aid, viz: Plymouth, Weldon, Shady Grove, Magnolia, Winton.

40. Elder H. B. Parker submitted the following:

We beg leave to call the attention of your body to the resolution proposed by the Bertie Union meeting at its last session relative to the appointmen of a missionary to labor within the bounds of the Pamlico Association

which resolution if passed as an amendment, is as follows: That we each exert our individual efforts within our respective churches to secure the services of a missionary to labor within the bounds of the Pamlico Association, and when secured and sent out by his church, that we will all do our utmost to sustain him by direct contributions in his behalf.

We furthermore beg leave to invite your endorsement of this resolution, and herewith to submit the following query, viz: If the plan herein proposed be not in accordance with the spirit of primitive Christianity?

On motion the query was laid on the table.

41. Elder Savage read the

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

1st. The number of students has not increased, as we had hoped.

2d. Thus far we have not succeeded in raising the proposed amount for endowment.

These considerations, while they are well calculated to awaken within us a deeper concern for the educational interests of our denomination, should by no means serve to dampen our ardor, or weaken our efforts for the promotion of this great enterprise. There are many causes which have operated against our complete success during the past Associational year. These hindrances, we hope, will soon be removed, and then we shall be able to rejoice together in the success that shall crown our efforts.

With faith in God, and patience and perseverance in the work assigned us, we must succeed.

R. R. SAVAGE, *Ch'm'n.*

The report was adopted after remarks by Elders Savage, Walters, Huf ham, McDowell and Prof. Delke.

42. The hour having arrived for the Conventional Sermon, the Association suspended business, and Elder John N. Hoggard proceeded to preach from 1st Cor. 3:9. Elder J. C. Fleetwood, brethren J. A. Delke and R. D. Simpson were appointed to wait on the congregation and solicit contributions. Brethren H. Hofler, W. H. Riddick and T. E. Cross waited on the congregation at the Methodist Church, where Elder A. F. Redd preached at the same hour. The amount contributed ($34) was, on motion, appropriated to Foreign Missions.

43. On motion the Association adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 14th, 1874.

44. The Association re-assembled at 2 o'clock; Hymn, "Am I a soldier of the Cross?"

45. On motion, 2,500 copies of the Minutes were ordered to be printed, and the clerk was allowed the usual salary.

46. Brother R. D. Simpson offered the following:

Resolved, That the gratitude and thankfulness of our hearts are due to our Heavenly Father for the brotherly love and Christian communion that have characterized our session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to this Church and to brethren and friends of neighboring Churches for the hospitality so generously and cheerfully extended to the delegates.

The resolutions were adopted.

47. Elder Cohen laid on the table circulars in regard to the Orphan Asylum at Oxford, and urged its claims to the benevolent contributions of the Association.

48. Brother N. L. Shaw offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to our Methodist brethren for their Christian courtesy in granting us the use of their Church during our session.

Adopted.

49. Elder H. B. Parker moved that the query proposed by him, and laid on the table this morning, be taken up and referred to a committee who should report at our next session. The motion, after being discussed by Elders Hufham, Parker, Mitchell and Overby, was laid on the table.

50. Elder Babb offered the following:

Resolved, That the Churches of this body be requested to make a semi-annual collection for the purpose of raising a fund to be applied to the education of the children of Baptist ministers who have died in the service of said Churches.

The resolution was discussed by brother Shaw, Elders Babb and Cohen, and adopted.

51. The business of the session being completed, on motion, the Association adjourned.

52. Elder Savage made some concluding remarks, insisting that these pleasant re-unions should be the means of our increase in spirituality, and exhorting the brethren to be drawn by each one of them nearer to God.

53. The Association engaged in singing the Hymn, commencing "Hail! dearest, sweetest tie that binds," and after prayer by Elder Savage, the Moderator declared the body adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, Moderator.

W. C. PARKER, *Clerk.*

IN MEMORIAM.

Rev. Shadrach W. Worrell, son of Cary Worrell, and his wife, Sally, whose maiden name was Council, was born in Southampton Co., Va., in November, 1811, and died at Reynoldson, in Gates Co., N. C., in April, 1872. His parents were poor but highly respectable. Bro. Worrell had poor opportunities of attending any other than the Sabbath School, where, in all probability, he received those impressions of the truth which influenced him in after life to work so manfully for Jesus. He professed faith in Jesus during the great revival of 1827, at Black Creek Baptist Church in his native county, and in the same year united with said church which was then under the pastoral care of Rev. Rob't T. Daniel. During his early manhood he worked at the Carpenter's trade, and also as a laborer on the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad. About the year 1836, he married Miss Mary Norfleet, sister of Messrs. Jas. B. and Wilson Norfleet, of Suffolk, Va., by whom he had three children, none of whom lived to be grown. She was indeed a help-meet for him, having all the graces which enter into the life of a true wife, fond mother, kind friend and a devoted christian. She died in 1861. Bro. Worrell was ordained to the gospel ministry in 1840. He moved to Gatesville, Gates Co., N. C., in 1837; was the principal in organizing the Baptist Church and building the house of worship at that place, which stands as a monument to his liberality.

While in Gatesville he was quite prosperous as a merchant. He was quite liberal in contributing to objects of benevolence. Lost all his property during and by the war. During his stay in Gatesville, which was about 30 years, he was noted for his christian life, and was, for the most of the time, pastor of Gatesville, Cool Spring, Middle Swamp, and other churches in the county. In 1863, he married Miss Mary L. Knight, by whom he had one child which died in infancy. In 1866, he removed to Baltimore, Md., where he was unsuccessful as a Commission Merchant, Editor and Grocer. Being reduced in property he was compelled to work for a living, and became Life Insurance Agent for several companies, in which he was quite successful. He was engaged in this business when he died. His last illness was very painful. He died in the full hope of a home in Heaven. He leaves a widow and an aged mother, now about 87 years of age, to mourn their loss. He was a firm Baptist, and previous to the war was prominent in the Chowan Association. At the time of his death he was a member of the First Baptist Church in Baltimore, of which he had been a member but a short time. His whole christian life, save a few years, was spent within the bounds of Chowan Association. He died at the good old age of 61 years. "Blessed are they who die in the Lord."

L. H. BABB, *Committee.*

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.---A.

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Vols. in Library.	No. Kind Wrds Taken.	No. Baptist Teacher taken	Other papers.	CONTRIBUTIONS. S. School Board.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Other Objects.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Total.	No. mos. Sch'l kept open.
Ahoskie,	2	Geo. A. Brown, John W. Holloman, Winton,	18	11	109	95	...	250	...	...	...	$...	.....	.....	6
Ballard's Bridge,	2	J. W. White, Hertford, A. A. Parish, Woodville,	13	..	110	.....	...	120	...	...	25	.....	7 50	7 50	8
Berea,	3	M. Whitehurst, W. Davis, E. Pritchard, E. City,	20	15	100	75	10	150	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	9
Bethel,	1	J. W. Trotman, Hertford,	10	8	60	45	...	....	26	...	...	.....	25 00	25 00	7
Bethlehem,	..	No School,	..	..	.....	.....	...	.....	...	....	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Buckhorn,	1	T D. Boone, Riddicksville,	10	10	30	25	...	50	2	...	...	5 00	.....	5 00	6
Capehearts,	1	Eld. Jos. W. White, Merry Hill,	7	4	32	25	...	50	4	...	...	.....	.....	.....	7
Cashie,	1	D. E. Tayloe, Windsor,	10	7	30	15	...	50	...	...	...	11 10	.....	11 10	12
Cedar Branch,	..	No School,	..	..	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Colerain,	..	No School,	..	..	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Chappell's Hill,	1	No statistics given,	..	..	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Connaritsa,	1	Mills Eure, St. John's,	6	..	30	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	6
Cool Spring,	1	D. E. Riddick, M. L. Green, Gatesville,	10	..	35	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	6
Corinth,	..	No School,	..	..	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Dudley's Grove,	1	Asa Saunders, St. John's,	6	6	44	25	3	....	10	5	...	.....	.....	.....	6
Ebenezer,	1	Jesse Burfoot, South Mills,	12	..	38	...	...	100	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Edenton,	1	K. R. Pendleton, Edenton,	15	12	60	35	...	130	33	...	...	.....	.....	.....	12
Elam,	..	No School,	..	..	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Elizabeth City,	2	Jno. S. Waugh, H. Wovel,	22	18	130	100	8	300	16	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Galatia,	2	Eld. J. C. Fleetwood, Margarettsville,	12	..	73	68	...	85	10	..	30	....	.....	.....	8
Gatesville,	1	Hans Hofler, Gatesville,	8	5	26	20	...	50	32	...	...	2 00	.....	2 00	9
Great Hope,	1	G. A. Griffin, Hertford,	22	15	75	50	4	135	...	...	...	.....	15 00	15 00	6
Green's X Roads,	..	No School reported,	..	..	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Hebron,	..	No School,	..	..	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	..
Hertford,	1	D. P. Daughtry, Hertford,	10	8	30	25	4	100	20	...	...	.....	.....	.....	12

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.---*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Vols. in Library.	No. Kind W'rds Taken.	No. Baptist Teacher taken	Other papers.	CONTRIBUTIONS. S. School Board.	Other Objects.	Total.	No. mos. Sch'l Kept open.
Holly Grove,	..	No School,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Macedonia,	1	Joseph Copeland, Edenton,	4	..	35	25	4	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Mars Hill,	1	H. H. Byrum, H. A. Hobbs, Colerain,	7	5	50	40	..	225	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Meherrin,	1	George Pain, Murfreesboro',	10	..	70	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Middle Swamp,	1	W. H. Riddick, Gatesville,	5	5	20	18	..	200	10	..	..	..	..	..	7
Mt. Carmel,	..	No School,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mt. Pleasant,	1	Franklin Spruill, Scuppernong,	5	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mt. Tabor,	3	J. D. Gatling, W. C. Parker, Murfreesboro', J. F. Newsom, Winton,	13	11	100	85	..	180	12	..	..	..	15 00	15 00	12
Mt. Zion,	1	W. R. Spruill, Columbia,	9	6	32	20	..	50	10	..	..	..	11 50	11 50	8
Murfreesboro',	2	A. McDowell, L. T. Spiers, Murfreesboro',	14	14	121	115	38	200	27	15	..	18 92	17 94	36 86	12
Piney Grove,	2	T. E. Waff, Reynoldson, M. C. Lawrence, B'kland,	7	7	67	42	..	40	20	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pleasant Grove,	..	No School,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Plymouth,	1	J. E. Jackson, Plymouth,	8	4	50	15	..	125	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Potecasi,	1	Name not given,	10	8	74	60	3	150	..	..	8	..	5 00	5 00	8
Powell's Point,	..	Not represented,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Providence	1	J. B. Morgan, W. D. Barnard, Indian Ridge,	19	8¼	63	49	3	181	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Ramoth Gilead,	1	James Warren, Rosedale,	8	5	60	35	104	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Rehoboth,	1	Name not given,	4	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Republican,	..	No School,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roanoke Island,	..	Not represented,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Robert's Chapel,	1	James H. Edwards, Boykin's Depot, Va.,	6	4	31	20	..	30	..	..	7	3 00	..	3 00	6
Rocky Hock,	1	E. Byrum, Edenton,	11	8	72	50	..	225	10	..	..	..	12 50	12 50	8
Ross' Church,	1	R. B. Jernigan, Colerain,	5	..	52	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Salem,	2	Reuben D. Pendleton, G. W. Pendleton, E. City,	19	..	100	..	..	254	40	..	..	..	23 94	23 94	12
Sandy Cross,	..	No School,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Sandy Run,		No School,															
Sawyer's Creek,	1	W. B. Ferebee, Camden, C. H.,	18	12	102	80		200	90			13	16	24	00	37	16	12
Shady Grove,	1	Dennis West, Shingle Landing,	12	12	47	40		100				9	85			9	85	
Sharon,	1	Austin Parisher, Columbia,	7	7	52	46	2	240	10									6
Shiloh,	2	E. Dailey, S. Leary, Shiloh,	26	18	114	80	14		40					18	00	18	00	12
Sound Side,	2	T. L. Gibson, J. E. Groves, Columbia,	24	20	84	75	6	248	10					16	35	16	35	8
Warwick,	2	Daniel Hobbs, Mintonsville,	13	10	84	70	4	50										7
Weldon,		No School reported,																
White Oak,		Not represented,																
Whiteville Gr've	2	John Turner, Wm. S. Stanton, Belvedere,	12	9	75	50		150	50									7
Winton,	2	Wm. P. Taylor, L. S. Davis, Winton,	13	10	85	65		135										3
Yeopim,	1	Jos. T. Waff, Edenton,	8	6	42	20	16	200		6	30			17	53	17	53	9
	61		499	318	2743	1663	223	4813	483	26	100	63	03	209	26	272	29	

FINANCIAL TABLE.---B.

CHURCHES.	White Membership.	White Male Membership.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W. F. College.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expenses.	Other Objects.	PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W. F. College.	Association Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie,	330	126	20 00	20 00			$49 25	$200 00	$25 00	107 00						$5 00		$ 426 25
Ballard's Bridge,	470	151	15 00			$8 25		125 00	25 00	44 60		$5 65				4 00		227 50
Berea,	228	88					250 00	300 00								3 00		553 00
Bethel,	248	77	17 25				33 00	225 00	25 00	25 00						4 50		329 75
Bethlehem,	210	82				5 25	6 00	200 00	16 75	23 26	10 00	10 00				3 00		274 26
Buckhorn,	105	41	20 00				66 00	130 00	83 00	15 00		21 00		3 25		2 00		340 25
Capeheart's,	283	114	16 65					125 00	100 00	5 70	4 00	6 00	3 65			2 50		263 50
Caihie,	262	71					648 00	500 00	530 00	50 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00		5 00		1,757 00
Cedar Branch,*	42	11														1 50		1 50
Colerain,	352	105					250 00	200 00	30 00							3 00		483 00
Chappel's Hill,†																		
Connaritsa,	260	80					267 50	100 00	15 00							3 00		385 50
Cool Spring,	201	73	2 50	2 50				11 12								1 00		17 12
Corinth,*	135	36														2 25		2 25
Dudley's Grove,	81	40						38 00	2 50		2 50	2 50				1 00	2 50	49 00
Ebenezer,	80	56			10 00		75 00	300 00	75 00		5 71					2 00		467 71
Edenton,	124	40						400 00	50 00							2 00		452 00
Elam,	90	22						150 00	1 60							1 50		153 10
Elizabeth City,	192	54		5 00		29 38	45 00	800 00	100 00	75 00						3 00		1,057 38
Galatia,	125	58						108 00			5 00					1 50		114 50
Gatesville,	58	26					120 00	100 00	10 00		2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00		2 00		240 00
Great Hope,	65	30	10 00					75 00	50 00							1 50	5 00	141 50
Green's X Roads,*	34	22														1 00		1 00

Hebron,	137	64					25 00	150 00	150 00								2 00		327 00
Hertford,	51	17	7 70	5 82				300 00	74 77	7 00	4 40	2 85	6 35	5 50	325 00		1 50		740 89
Holly Grove,	79	22	16 87	12 75	15 00		641 00	108 00	10 00								2 00		805 62
Macedonia,	66		2 62			3 00		50 00	15 00								1 00		71 62
Mars Hill,	110	46	10 37	9 37			58 40	100 00	11 50								1 50		191 14
Meherrin,	253	92					104 00	150 00	13 00		8 00	8 17					2 00		285 17
Middle Swamp,	101	38						125 00	15 00								3 00		143 00
Mt. Carmel,	220		7 00	7 26				160 00	6 70								2 50		183 46
Mt. Pleasant,	60	18						100 00									2 00		102 00
Mt. Tabor,	184	71					176 00	150 00	17 00	35 00							5 00		383 00
Mt. Zion,	38	14						125 00	12 00								1 50		138 50
Murfreesboro',	81	19	5 00	11047		62 62	312 00	500 00	69 00	116 00	25 55						2 00		1,193 64
Piney Grove,	92	33	25 00	10 00		6 00		125 00	10 00	115 00							2 00		293 00
Pleasant Grove,	108	45	11 00	11 00			12 00	144 00	9 00	77 00	4 00	4 00					3 00		275 00
Plymouth,	37	14						75 00	60 00								1 50		136 50
Potecasi,	211	80					200 00	200 00			6 87	6 88					2 00		415 75
Powell's Point,‡																			
Providence,	97	36				18 00		250 00	48 00								1 50		317 50
Ramoth Gilead,	180	80			3 00			400 00	9 00								3 00		415 00
Rehoboth,†																	1 00		1 00
Republican,	157	84					16 75	100 00	140000		5 40						3 00		1,525 15
Roanoke Island,‡																			
Robert's Chapel,	170	53				3 00	135 00	150 00	25 00		20 00	10 00					2 50		345 50
Rocky Hock,	254	101	8 36				75 00	150 00	25 00								3 00		261 86
Ross' Church,	367	119						100 00	326 00			10 00					2 50		438 50
Salem,	124	42					8 00	150 00		5 50							1 50		165 00
Sandy Cross,	321	110						200 00	40 27								3 00		243 27
Sandy Run,	231	80					829 00	225 00	35 00	15 00	10 00	10 00	10 00				2 00		1,136 00
Sawyer's Creek,	375	116						800 00	24 00		4 00	4 00	5 83				3 65		841 48
Shady Grove,	74	24					51 00	150 00	600 00								1 50		802 50
Sharon,*	24	4															1 00		1 00
Shiloh,	330	105			15 00			350 00	30 00								3 00		398 00
Sound Side,	129	40						100 00	21 45			1 15					1 50		124 10
Warwick,	178	64						40 00	9 00								2 00		51 00
Weldon,*	23	10		7 50													1 50		9 00

FINANCIAL TABLE.---*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	White Membership.	White Male Membership.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W. F. College.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expenses.	Other Objects.	PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W. F. College.	Association Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.
White Oak,‡	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	...	.....	.....	....	.....
Whiteville Grove,	188	55	.....	.....	.....	18 00	.....	150 00	25 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	2 00	....	215 00
Winton,	41	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160 00	225 00	.....	8 00	2 00	3 80	....	.....	2 00	....	400 80
Yoppim,	174	78	11 53	.....	.....	.....	20 00	200 00	20 00	18 00	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	2 50	....	272 03
61			207 35	201 67	43 00	153 50	4,472 90	10,324 12	4,465 54	754 06	131 43	112 20	37 63	16 75	325 00	133 40	7 50	21,386 05
Amount contributed in cash, during the session for various objects,																		209 20
																		$21,595 25

*Report incomplete. †No Report. ‡Not represented.

CHURCH STATISTICS---C.

Number.	CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION.	SABBATHS OF PREACHING.	Additions,			Diminutions.			White Males.	W. Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	Total.	PASTORS.	C
				Baptisms.	Letter.	Restorat'n.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.							
1	Ahoskie,	Hertford, 1812,	4th,	19	1	2	13	11	3	126	204	330		330	R. R. Savage,	W.
2	Ballard's Bridge,	Chowan, 1781,	2nd,		4	3	7	3	17	151	319	470	23	493	D. J. Roberts,	Ed
3	Berea,	Pasquotank, 1856,	2nd,	30	3		5	1	6	88	140	228		228	J M. C. Luke,	Mil
4	Bethel,	Perquimans, 1806,	2nd & 4th,	1				6	8	77	171	248		248	B. B. Williams,	G.
5	Bethlehem,	Hertford, 1835,	3rd,		5	1	15	1	7	82	128	210	1	211	J. N. Hoggard,	A.
6	Buckhorn,	Hertford, 1835,	2nd & 4th,	3	2		2		1	41	64	105	7	112	R. R. Savage,	Jul
7	Capehart's,	Bertie, 1824,	2nd,	15	2		9	8	9	114	169	283	8	291	Thos. Hoggard,	Ge
8	Cashie,	Bertie, 1798,	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	5	4		18	1	4	71	191	262	12	274	A. M. Craig,	S.
9	Cedar Branch,	Martin, 1869,	1st,						1	11	31	42		42	B. F Barker,	Joh
10	Colerain,	Bertie, 1789,	3d,	10	3	3	5	5	7	105	247	352	4	356	B. B. Williams,	W.
11	Chappel's Hill,	Perquimans, 1869,	4th,							12	28	40	2	42	E. Bunch,	F.
12	Connaritsa,	Bertie, 1798,	3d,		4	1	7	3	3	80	180	260		260	Thos. Hoggard,	A.
13	Cool Spring,	Gates, 1826,	1st,		2	2	2	7	2	73	128	201		201	J. P. Lee,	M.
14	Corinth,	Northampton, 1854,	1st,	31	1	4	8	1	4	36	99	135	1	136	H. B. Parker,	Alb
15	Dudley's Grove,	Hertford, 1872,	1st,	10	13	2	5	2		40	41	81		81	Williamson Askew,	J.
16	Ebenezer,	Camden, 1829,	2nd & 4th,		3	4	5	8		24	56	80		80	R. R. Overby,	J.
17	Edenton,	Chowan, 1816,	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	4			1		3	40	84	124		124	A. D. Cohen,	T.
18	Elam,	Northampton, 1844,	2nd,	4				2	2	22	68	90		90	John P. Lee,	Jos
19	Elizabeth City	Pasquotank, 1786,	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	11	5	3	3	5	4	54	138	192		192	J. F. Tuttle,	S.
20	Galatia,	Northampton, 1859,	2nd & 3rd,	11	3		5	3	2	58	67	125	1	126	John Mitchell,	Jas.
21	Gatesville,	Gates, 1854,	3rd,	2	2				2	26	32	58		58	John P. Lee,	M.
22	Great Hope,	Perquimans, 1869,	1st,	11	4	1	1	3	2	30	35	65		65	D. J. Roberts,	Lut
23	Green's X Roads,	Bertie, 1874,	3rd,							12	22	34		34	Jos. W. White,	Zac
24	Hebron,	Northampton, 1856,	1st & 3rd,	23	4		3	1		64	73	137		137	H. B. Parker,	J.
25	Hertford,	Perquimans, 1854,	1st & 3rd,	3			6	1	1	17	34	51		51	T. Harrison,	P.
26	Holly Grove,	Bertie, 1804,	1st,				5	3	3	22	57	79	15	94	J. Bunch,	J.
27	Macedonia,	Chowan, 1850,	3rd,	9	2	4		1		32	34	66		66	West Leary,	Wm
28	Mars Hill,	Bertie, 1854,	4th,		2		1	3		46	64	110		110	J. C. Fleetwood,	G.
29	Meherrin,	Hertford, 1773,	1st,		4	4	7	3	1	92	161	253	24	277	J. N. Hoggard,	O.
30	Middle Swamp,	Gates, 1806,	2nd,	2				2	1	38	63	101		101	T. W. Babb,	W.
31	Mt. Carmel,	Northampton, 1823,	4th,	4	1		1	4				220		220	J. N. Hoggard,	Isa
32	Mt. Pleasant,	Washington, 1850,	1st,							18	42	60		60	W. L. Maget,	Wa
33	Mt. Tabor,	Hertford, 1839,	3rd,		8		29	5	5	71	113	184	10	194	R. R. Savage,	Tho
34	Mt. Zion,	Tyrrell, 1852,	3rd,							14	24	38		38	W. L. Maget,	J. A
35	Murfreesboro',	Hertford, 1842,	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	13	5		2			19	62	81		81	John Mitchell,	L.
36	Piney Grove,	Gates, 1827,	4th,	2	4		2	3	2	33	59	92	2	94	T. W. Babb,	A.
37	Pleasant Grove,	Hertford, 1837,	2nd,	4			1	3	5	45	63	108		108	H. B. Parker,	J. G
38	Plymouth,	Washington, 1868,	4th,	1						14	23	37		37	W. L. Maget,	J. H
39	Potecasi,	Northampton, 1808,	2nd,	10	4		3	2	9	80	131	211	10	221	J. N. Hoggard,	H.
40	Powell's Point,	Currituck, 1804,								22	36	58		58	Not represented; agg	rega
41	Providence,	Currituck, 1828,	3rd,	13		1	9	31	2	36	61	97		97	R. R. Overby,	L. H
42	Ramoth Gilead,	Pasquotank, 1808,	2nd & 4th,	20	3	2	2	3	2	80	100	180		180	R. R. Overby,	J. H
43	Rehoboth,	Currituck, 1873,	1st,	33										41	D. Sanderlin,	Wil
44	Republican,	Bertie, 1834,	2nd,		6	2		3	1	84	157	241	12	253	J. Bunch,	Brv
45	Roanoke Island,	Dare, 1808,	Not represented	sinc	e187	2										Alex
46	Robert's Chapel,	Northampton, 1848,	1st,		3		16	3	1	53	117	170	30	200	R. R. Savage,	Wm
47	Rocky Hock,	Chowan, 1835,	1st,		1	1	1	3	3	101	153	254	1	255	B. B. Williams,	Wm
48	Ross' Church	Bertie, 1804,	4th,			3	9	7	6	119	248	367	10	377	Thos. Hoggard,	Joh
49	Salem,	Pasquotank, 1790,	1st,	11		1	6	5	6	42	82	124		124	West Leary,	J. H
50	Sandy Cross,	Gates, 1828,	1st,		1	1	6	3	5	110	211	321		321	T. W. Babb,	Jess
51	Sandy Run,	Bertie, 1750,	3rd & 4th,	2	7	4	4	8	3	80	151	231	5	236	J. Bunch,	J. R
52	Sawyer's Creek,	Camden, 1790,	Not given,	9	3	3	11	31	2	116	259	375		375	Oliver Horton,	T. B
53	Shady Grove,	Currituck, 1822,	3rd,	4	3		3	3	1	24	50	74	1	75	O. C. Horton,	T. H
54	Sharon,	Tyrrell, 1869,	1st,	5					2	4	20	24	1	25		Aust
55	Shiloh,	Camden, 1757,	1st & 3rd,	37	3	7	4	16	4	105	225	330		330	R. R. Overby,	Den
56	Sound Side,	Tyrrell, 1852,	2nd,	10				14	2	40	89	129		129	W. L. Maget,	Jos.
57	Warwick,	Chowan, 1860,	3rd,	18	2		7	3	1	61	114	178		178	E. Bunch,	G. H
58	Weldon,	Halifax,	Not given,	6	3				1	10	13	23		23	W. T. Walters,	B. W
59	White Oak,	Bertie, 1856,														Not
60	Whiteville Grove,	Perquimans, 1851,	3rd,	3		1	4	4	3	55	133	188	1	189	T. W. Babb,	Wm
61	Winton,	Hertford, 1874,	1st,	1					2	25	16	41		41	John Mitchell,	J. G
62	Yeopim,	Chowan, 1775,	4th,	27		4	6	3	4	78	96	174	9	183	T. Harrison,	J. T
				435	130	64	249	241	165	3,226	5,976	9,422	190	9,612		

AL TABLE OF THE CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION---D.

MODERATOR.	CLERK.	ASSISTANT CLERK.	PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON.	TEXT.	Church's	Bapt'ms	Total Membership.	Contributions.
orge Outlaw,	Lemuel Burkitt,	James Ross,	John Wall,	Luke xxiv:36,	18	55	1,750	£12 12s0d
orge Outlaw,	Lemuel Burkitt,	James Ross,	Martin Ross,	1 Cor. xiv:40,	19	68	1,947	9 12 6
orge Outlaw,	Aaron Spivey,	James Ross,	James Ross,	Songs, viii:5,	20	80	1,768	12 16 0
orge Outlaw,	John Hamilton,	James Wright,	James Nowell,	1 Cor. xii:13,	21	62	1,780	12 5 0
orge Outlaw,	Aaron Spivey,	William Dossey,	Aaron Spivey,	Hag. i:7,	22	64	1,756	16 0 0
ron Spivey,	Richard Poindexter,		Richard Poindexter,	Psalms, xcii:12,	23	158	1,789	16 0 0
ron Spivey,	James Wright,		James Wright,	1 Peter, xi:7,	23	139	1,253	16 10 0
orge Outlaw,	James Wright,		John Brice,	2 Tim, iv:2,	23	115	1,843	11 12 6
ron Spivey,	James Wright,	William Spence,	James Wright,	Cant. ii:9,	23	185	1,919	$ 35 00
eorge Outlaw,	James Wright,	David Pritchard,	Nathaniel Pruden,	Songs ii:10-12,	23	71	1,916	34 50
eorge Outlaw,	James Wright,	John Wheeler,	James Ross,	Nahum, 1:7,	23	68	1,820	34 50
eorge Outlaw,	James Wright,	John Wheeler,	Martin Ross,	Heb. ii:1-3,	22	138	2,013	39 06
homas Brownrigg,	James Wright,	Thomas Meredith,	Luther Rice,	Psalms viii:4,	22	123	1,756	32 00
homas Brownrigg,	Thomas Meredith,		John Rowe,	Isaiah lv:5,	22	70	1,755	45 00
homas Brownrigg,	James Wright,		Aaron Spivey,	Heb. xii:1, 2,	22	75	1,566	36 00
eorge Outlaw,	James Wright,	Elder Newbern,	Martin Ross,	Judges viii:4,	22	54	1,745	33 50
homas Brownrigg,	James Wright,	Edward Wood,	Aaron Spivey,	Mark xiii:27,	22	55	1,756	34 50
eorge Outlaw,	James Wright,	Hardy Cobb,	Martin Ross,	1 Chron. xii:32,	23	227	1,952	39 00
eorge Outlaw,	James Wright,	John Peellee,	John Harrell,	Zech. xiii:1,	24	351	2,236	40 00
eorge Outlaw,	James Wright,	Simon Turner,	Jere Etheridge,	John vii:56,	25	964	3,134	44 50
artin Ross,	James Wright,	James G. Hall,	W. H. Jordan,	1 John i:18,	26	294	3,023	46 50
artin Ross,	James Wright,	James G. Hall,	John Harrell,	Mark i:15,	26	32	3,192	40 50
ames Wright,	James G. Hall,	Edmund Hoskins,	James Wright,	Cant. iv:12,	28	246	3,200	47 62
ames Wright,	James G. Hall,	John Peele,	James Ross,	Rev. xxi:24,	29	284	3,381	45 50
ames Ross,	James G. Hall,	John Peele,	Reuben Lawrence,	Mat. vi:33,	30	110	3,160	46 50
ames Ross,	James G. Hall,	S. J. Wheeler, A. Spivey,	G. M. Thompson,	1 Cor. x:4,	32	191	3,282	50 00
homas Jordan,	James G. Hall,	A. Spivey,	Thomas Meredith,	Heb. xi:6,	31	414	3,285	47 82
ames Ross,	A. J. Spivey,		G. M. Thompson,	Isaiah xlii:11,	31	597	3,765	56 00
ohn Harrell,	A. J. Spivey,		John Harrell,	Rev. xix 9,	33	190	3,819	56 42
homas Jordan,	A. J. Spivey,	Wm. Darden,	Q. H. Trotman,	1 John iii:2,	34	122	3,664	52 50
saac Baxter,	John Peele,	James Pruden,	Reuben Lawrence,	Isaiah lx:1,	38	218	3,294	54 00
saac Baxter,	James L. Grimes,	R. B. Cobb,	G. M Thompson,	Heb. xiii:1,	38	111	3,484	51 50
saac Baxter,	S. J. Wheeler,		A. M. Craig,	John x:24,	38	466	3,828	55 20
saac Baxter,	S. J Wheeler,		Henry Speight,	Malachi iii:16, 17,	38	238	3,956	48 50
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	A. W. Darden, S. T. Bond,	Evans Forbes,	Mat. vii:12,	40	392	4,368	56 20
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	C. Salstonstall, Wm. Darden,	R. Lawrence,	1 Cor. xv:58,	40	541	4,818	57 50
. C. Moore,	S. J Wheeler,	Q. H. Trotman, Dr. Tillybridge,	G. M Thompson,	Acts iv:13,	42	609	5,140	65 25
. C. Moore,	S. J Wheeler,	S. T. Bond,	Q. H. Trotman,	1 Pet i:5,	42	1,329	5,783	65 50
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew, S. T. Bond,	John Nowell,	Mark iii:35,	42	410	6,485	62 50
. C. Moore,	R. B. Cobb, *pro tem*,	Eld. Waff, A. W. Darden,	Thomas Waff,	Gal. v:25,	42	332	6,433	69 75
. C. Moore,	S J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew, S. T. Bond,	G. M. Thompson,	Psalms cxxxvii:5, 6,	42	378	6,470	69 75
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	S. T. Bond, W. D. Pritchard,	D. Sanderlin,	Phil. i:8-10,	43	591	6,430	1,036 36
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,		J. G. Barkly,	1 Cor. xv:50,	43	1,005	7,755	71 70
. C Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew, W. D Pritchard,	Q. H. Trotman,	Mark xvi:15,	45	792	7,901	84 00
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, S. T. Bond,	M. R. Fory,	1 Cor. iii:12, 13,	45	545	7,981	69 75
. C. Moore,	S J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, S. T. Bond,	Aaron Jones,	Col. i:14,	47	644	7,970	90 80
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, J. B. Morgan,	W. P. Britton, Jr.	1 Cor. ix:13, 14,	43	956	9,960	92 50
. C. Moore,	S J. Wheeler,	W. D Pritchard, G. W. Johnson.	W. M. Wingate,	Acts, ii:41-46,	43	553	9,031	90 50
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, T. C. Skinner,	J. B. Taylor,	John ix:4,	44	658	8,957	93 00
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew,	L. M. Carter,	Psalms, cxxxvii:5, 6,	47	606	10,057	98 00
. C. Moore,	S. J Wheeler,	A. J. Askew,	J. L. Pritchard,	Rom. iii:21-26,	48	542	9,512	92 50
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	S T. Bond,	T. H. Pritchard,	Mat. x:31,	51	1,012	9,958	100 00
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	J. D. Boushell, W. W. Knight,	Elder Weatherly,	John iii:13, 14,	52	515	10,977	102 00
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew, W. J. Freeman,	Q. H. Trotman,	Mat. xvi:18,	52	871	10,586	99 55
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, Wm. Darden,	W. W. Kone,	1 Thess. ii:13, 15,	52	837	10,811	106 50
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,	R. D. Simpson, H. C. Edwards,	T. J. Knapp,	Jer. i:17,	53	625	11,054	85 50
. B. Jones,	John Mitchell,	J. D Barnes,	B. B. Williams,	Heb. v:9,	53	41	11,034	41 00
. C. Moore,	John Mitchell,	J. D. Barnes, H. C. Edwards,	R B. Jones,	1 John i:7,	52	106	10,669	173 50
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,		R. R. Overby,	Mark xiii:34,	52	625	9,436	316 00
. C. Moore,	S. J. Wheeler,		R. B. Jones,	1 Pet i:23,	52	596	10,674	386 30
. C. Moore,	S J. Wheeler,	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,	John Mitchell,	Rom. iii:21,	53	723	10,525	149 21
. C. Moore,	S. J Wheeler,	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,	R. R Overby,	Ex. xiv:14, 15,	52	922	10,206	18,154 93
. C. Moore,	S. S. Wheeler,	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,	J. M. C. Luke,	Jer. xvii:9,	53	327	10,725	13,925 14
. C. Moore,	W. C. Parker,	A. J. Cobb,	J. D. Hufham,	Mat. viii:11,	56	612	9,705	7,751 85
. C. Moore,	W. C. Parker,	A. Bass, W. H. Powell,	John Mitchell,	Acts ix:31,	57	468	9,898	14,102 84
. C. Moore,	W. C Parker,	A. J. Cobb, W. H. Riddick,	T. J. Knapp,	Josh. xxiii:36,	56	557	9,436	12,589 53
. C. Moore,	W. C. Parker,	A. J. Cobb, G. W. Babb,	R. R. Savage,	Rom. viii:6,	58	820	10,251	15,002 23
. C. Moore,	W. C. Parker,	N. L. Shaw,	T. W. Babb,	Isaiah lxii:1,	58	421	9,661	15,911 97
. C Moore,	W. C. Parker,	L. D. L. Parker,	John Mitchell,	John xvi:12-15,	62	435	9,612	21,595 25

MINUTES

OF THE

Sixty-Ninth Annual Session

OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

CASHIE CHURCH,

WINDSOR, BERTIE COUNTY, N. C.,

MAY 11, 12 and 13, 1875.

G. C. MOORE, MODERATOR,.....ST. JOHNS.
W. C. PARKER, CLERK,.....MURFREESBORO'.
W. W. MITCHELL, TREASURER,.....WINTON.

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN THE CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. Askew, Williamson.....Winton.
2. Babb, T. W.....Gatesville.
3. Barber, B. F.....Windsor.
4. Briggs, Wells.....Manteo.
5. Bunch, Ephraim.....Gatesville.
6. Bunch, Jeremiah.....Windsor.
7. Cohen, A. D.....Edenton.
8. Etheridge, D. V.....Manteo.
9. Fleetwood, J. C.....Margarettsville.
10. Harrison, Trezevant.....Hertford.
11. Hoggard, J. N.....Murfreesboro'.
12. Hoggard, Thomas.....Colerain.
13. Horton, O. C.....Elizabeth City.
14. Howell, Ed.....Gatesville.
15. Hufham, J. D.....Raleigh.
16. King, B. F.....Windsor.
17. Leary, West.....Edenton.
18. Lee, John P.....Murfreesboro'.
19. Maget, W. L.....Plymouth.
20. McDowell, A.....Murfreesboro'.
21. Mitchell, John.....Murfreesboro'.
22. Mizell, M. L.....Windsor.
23. Overby, R. R.....Elizabeth City.
24. Parker, H. B.....Murfreesboro'.
25. Pearce, Ed.....Merry Hill.
26. Roberts, D. J.....Hertford.
27. Rochelle, J. J.....Jackson.
28. Sanderlin, D.....Camden C. H.
29. Simpson, Q. T.....Plymouth.
30. Savage, R. R.....Murfreesboro'.
31. Tuttle, J. F.....Elizabeth City.
32. White, J. W.....Merry Hill.
33. Williams, B. B.....Colerain.

PROCEEDINGS.

WINDSOR, N. C., May 11th, 1875.

1. The Chowan Baptist Association met in its Sixty-Ninth Annual Session this day, with Cashie Church, at Windsor, Bertie county, N. C.

2. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. A. D. Cohen, from Romans iii: 12–15.

3. After the sermon the Association took a recess of one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, May 11th, 1875.

4. On re-assembling the Moderator read the 15th chapter of Acts. Brother R. R. Overby led in prayer.

5. In the absence of the Clerk, Brother Norman L. Shaw was, on motion, elected Clerk *pro tem.*

6. Brethren J. T. Waff, Dr. R. P. Thomas and C. G. Manning were appointed a Committee on Finance.

7. Brethren James A. Delke, Mark Gregory, J. M. Powell, were constituted a Committee on Sabbath School Statistics.

8. Brethren R. D. Simpson, Whitaker Myers and A. Bass were appointed a Committee on Statistics of Benevolence.

9. Bro. T. E. Waff was appointed Assistant Clerk.

10. The Pastor and Deacons of the church constituted the Committee on Religious Exercises.

11. Delegates from the churches were enrolled as follows:

Ahoskie.—W. W. Mitchell, Henry Modlin, Jas. P. Freeman.
Ballard's Bridge.—Edward Pearce, R. D. Simpson, J. A. Ward.
Berea.—*R. M. Morgan, *J. R. Ward, *Charles Overman.
Bethel.—W. Askew, N. Dail, W. Myers.
Bethlehem.—N. L. Shaw, A. Bass, A. B. Adkins.
Buckhorn.—*T. D. Boone. *G. A. Britt, R. R. Savage.
Capehearts.—Elder J. W. Hoggard, Elder J. W. White, G. W. Cobb.
Cashie.—Moses Gilliam, David Harrell, A. J. Cobb.
Cedar Branch.—Not represented.
Colerain.—Jno. Wilson, E. Wilson, William Nowell.
Chapel Hill.—Not represented.
Conaritsa.—John L. Burden, W. G. Burden, A. J. Dunning.
Cool Spring.—*E. A. Story, R. B. Harrell, Henry Carter.

Corinth.—*A. Vann, *Thos. Bowers, *A. Futrill.
Dudley's Grove.—James H. Lassiter, R. A. Cook.
Ebenezer.—*Jas. A. Spencer, *D. T. Pritchard.
Edenton.—A. D. Cohen, C. G. Manning, J. H. Garrett.
Elam.—W. T. Kee, *W. T. Capell, W. G. Stevenson.
Elizabeth City.—Elder J. F. Tuttle, Elder O. C. Horton, Elisha Harris.
Galatia.—J. C. Fleetwood, J. H. Deberry, J. J. DeLoatch.
Gatesville.—G. W. Parker, F. E. Bain, *T. E. Cross.
Great Hope.—*Augustus Saunders, *Henry Ward, *L. W. Parker.
Green's Cross Roads.—W. H. Pearce, Alonzo Asbell, Bythell Leggett.
Hebron.—Jos. D. Gatling, W. T. Liverman, Jos. E. Blanchard.
Hertford.—Elder T. Harrison, J. M. Skinner, D. P. Daughtry.
Holly Grove.—*Moses Todd, M. J. Raynor, J. W. Mitchell.
Lawrence's Cross Roads.—Elder E. Pearce, J. E. Trevathan, A. Bass.
Macedonia.—*S. S. Leary, *J. C. Leary, Elder West Leary.
Mars Hill.—Elder B. B. Williams, John W. Perry, A. Nowell.
Meherrin.—J. P. Lee, Miles J. Liverman, B. F. Liverman.
Middle Swamp.—W. Riddick, W. H. Riddick, *F. Matthews.
Mt. Carmel.—L. B. Stevenson, C. L. N. Stevenson, Elder J. J. Rochell.
Mt. Pleasant.—*Jesse Norman, James Norman, *T. B. Bateman.
Mt. Tabor.—R. Vann, Thos. Parker, Chas. Cobb.
Mt. Zion.—*Thos. Spruill, *J. B. Cove, *W. R. Spruill.
Murfreesboro.—Rev. A. McDowell, J. A. Delke, *L. D. L. Parker.
Piney Grove.—T. W. Babb, A. Edwards, T. E. Waff.
Pleasant Grove.—G. C. Moore, Wiley Dunning, Langly Taylor.
Plymouth.—W. L. Magett, Amos Bateman, J. E. Jackson.
Potecasi.—H. H. Coot, G. D. Holloman, C. S. Edwards.
Powell's Point.—*John Brock, *Samuel Etheridge.
Providence.—*J. J. Baxter, *P. H. Morgan, *W. B. Shaw.
Ramoth Gilead.—N. W. Buffkin, *Jas. Warren, *J. R. Etheridge.
Rehoboth.—Dossey Sanderlin, Wm. Sawyer, *Noah Gregory.
Republican.—Elder B. F. Barbour, W. H. Bunch, Ervin Pritchard.
Roanoke Island.—*W. R. Sutton, *E. Berry, *Abel Ashbell.
Roberts' Chapel.—Jas. H. Edwards, S. K. Edwards, T. A. Britt.
Rocky Hock.—E. Byram, W. B. Felton, J. T. Lewellyn.
Ross Church.—M. L. Mizell, John Mitchell, B. Morris.
Salem.—*Sam'l Modlin, *R. D. Pendleton, W. P. Jordan.
Sandy Cross.—*W. S. Riddick, *W. H. Mannis.
Sandy Run.—John R. Powell, Jas. N. Powell, John. W. Brown.
Sawyer's Creek.—R. R. Overby, Edwin Ferrebee, M. R. Gregory.
Shady Grove.—*Thos. Cartwright, *J. E. Lee, *Grandy Dozier.
Sharon.—A. Parisher.
Shiloh.—Elder W. Briggs, *N. C. Burgess, A. J. Hampton.
Sound Side.—*E. Hopkins, Sr., *H. T. Brickhouse, *J. G. Brickhouse.
Warwick.—*Guy Hobbs, *Alex. Ellis, Elder E. Bunch.
Weldon.—*B. W. Spilman, *J. B. Timberlake.
Whiteville Grove.—W. C. Simpson, T. S. White, E. J. Simpson.
White Oak.—B. F. Barbour, J. N. Skiles, *Henry Davis.
Winton.—*W. P. Shaw, J. L. Mitchell, A. C. Vann.
Woodville.—Represented by Pastor, Elder T. Harrison.
Yoppim.—A. Bonner, J. T. Waff, *J. N. Bass.

12. The Association having been organized, on motion, it proceeded to the election of officers, resulting as follows: Dr. G. C. Moore, Moderator; W. C. Parker, Clerk; W. W. Mitchell, Treasurer.

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*Absent.

13. The Committee on Religious Exercises announced that Rev. J. F. Tuttle would preach in the Methodist Church at once, and Dr. W. M. Wingate at the Baptist Church at 8 o'clock p. m.

14. Letters were read from New Churches at Woodville and Lawrence's Cross Roads, asking admission into this body, which applications were, on motion, referred respectively to committees, who having reported favorably, the Churches were received as constituent members of the Association, and the Moderator extended to their delegates the right hand of fellowship.

15. The report of the Committee on Cool Spring Church being called for, Brother Overby, as Chairman, responded, followed by Brother John Lee, their Pastor, stating that the difficulty had been settled and the Church was in peace and harmony, which report was received and committee discharged.

16. The Moderator extended an invitation to brethren and to messengers from corresponding bodies to seats with us, which was accepted by the following brethren: Dr. Wingate, President Wake Forest College; Rev. J. B. Richardson, Corresponding Secretary Baptist State Convention; Rev. A. F. Redd, Editor of *Recorder;* Brethren R. R. Owen and W. P. Whitaker, Tar River Association; Brother Y. F. Rogers, Portsmouth Association.

17. The Moderator appointed the following committee to select time, place and preachers for the next meeting of the Association, viz: W. Myers, George Fleetwood and Mark Gregory.

18. Report on Temperance being called for, Rev. B. B. Williams submitted the following:

At the session of the Association held at Gatesville, 1874, we find adopted the following recommendations:

1. When drinking houses are kept by church members that they be earnestly and faithfully admonished by the churches to abandon the wicked traffic, and that when the admonition of the Church is rejected, the Church withdraw its fellowship.

2. The Association earnestly recommend that the Churches withdraw fellowship from those members who visit and drink habitually at tippling shops.

We suppose the Association adopted these recommendations because she believed that the retail of spirituous liquors encouraged intemperance. This leads us to ask, what is intemperance? Mr. Newcom defines temperance to be the "moderate use of things useful, and total abstinence of things pernicious." Is the use of intoxicating liquors pernicious? The assertion has more than once answered the question. Elder Babb calls it (in his Report on Temperance, adopted 1867), "this more than Lernean Hydra * * * * that has blasted the fondest hopes and laid waste the fairest fields of our Zion." Elder Overby says, (report adopted 1874): "It is the bane of our Churches." Both these reports the Association adopted, thereby declaring that intoxi-

cating drinks are pernicious, hence its use as a beverage is intemperance. Your Committee instituted such inquiry as they thought would enable them to obtain the information necessary to report how the churches had received and acted upon the recommendations of the Association. They addressed letters of inquiry to nearly all the Pastors in the Association; for some cause unknown to your Committee, the information sought has been by a large majority of the Pastors withheld, only six responding. We are therefore unable to make a satisfactory report.

So far as we have been able to learn, there are eight members now selling this "more than Lernean Hydra" in quantities less than a gallon, and it is frequently drank in their stores.

Two have been expelled during the past year for refusing to abandon the sale of spirituous liquors. One has reformed.

About seven-tenths of the entire male membership use intoxicating drinks as an occasional beverage, and a majority of these drink at tippling shops.

It is a great pleasure to your Committee to be able to report of one Church that all her members abstain from its use as a beverage. We believe that reform is greatly needed, and would recommend all lovers of Christ and sobriety to use every laudible means in their power to crush this many-headed monster.

B. B. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

Pending the discussion, the Association adjourned till 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Rev. T. W. Babb.

Dr. Wingate preached in the Baptist Church at 8 o'clock, from Judges vii: 7.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 12th, 1875.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Hymn, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing." Prayer by Dr. Wingate. The roll was called and corrected by the Clerk.

19. Letter read from the Church at Weldon, which was referred to the proper committee.

20. The discussion of the report on temperance was resumed. After discussion by Rev. B. B. Williams, a motion was offered to lay the report on the table, to be taken up at some more convenient hour, which was lost, and debate resumed, which, after being participated in by Elders Harrison, Babb, Dr. McDowell, Brothers Delk, Garrett, Gilliam and Dunning, the same was unanimously adopted.

21. Rev. A. D. Cohen, of the Committee on Religious Exercises, announced that Rev. J. N. Hoggard would preach at the Methodist Church at 11 o'clock; Rev. R. L. Vann at 3 o'clock p. m., and Rev. T. W. Babb at the Baptist Church to-night at 8 o'clock.

Place—Ramoth Gilead, Pasquotank county.
Time—Tuesday before the 3rd Sunday in May, 1876.
To Preach Introductory Sermon—Elder B. B. Williams. Alternate—Elder N. Hoggard.
Conventional Sermon—Elder R. R. Savage. Alternate—Elder John Mitchell.

W. MYERS,
GEORGE FLEETWOOD, } *Committee.*
MARK GREGORY,

ev. Dr. McDowell offered an amendment to the report, ituting Saturday before third Sunday in May, 1876, ssociation continuing four days, having Sunday for us worship.

an animated discussion, participated in by Revs. Overby, Cohen, Williams, Harrison, Dr. Wingate, Delk, Gillam, and Ferrebee,

angley Taylor offered an amendment to the amend- bstituting Tuesday after the third Sunday in May. endments were lost, and report adopted as origi- ed by the Committee.

motion of Bro. Gilliam, it was agreed that Elder llowed an opportunity of presenting claims of n Church, and to ask contributions.

collected $26.22, which was paid over to Elder

John H. Garrett offered the following resolution:

at a Committee of three be appointed to address a circular fferent Churches within the bounds of the Association on intemperance, and the same be appended to our minutes.

as adopted.

otion of Elder Harrison, it was agreed that the h had been collected up to this time for the ed- hans of Ministers, who belonged to this Asso- paid over to Dr. Wingate for the benefit of the . R. B. Jones, deceased.

Moderator announced the following Standing :

Chowan Baptist Female Institute.—J. A. Delke, W. C. Parker, L. T. Spiers.
Baptist State Convention.—Rev. R. R. Overby, M. R. Gregory, Edwin Ferrebee.
Periodicals.—Rev. J. N. Hoggard, N. L. Shaw, R. P. Thomas.
Temperance.—Revs. R. R. Savage, T. Harrison and George Britt.

MESSENGERS TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

To Eastern Association.—Revs. A. D. Cohen, Jeremiah Bunch, T. Harrison.
Portsmouth Association.—Revs. R. R. Overby, A. McDowell, R. R. Savage, J. F. Tuttle.

Southern Baptist Convention.—All the ordained Ministers in this Asso. tion that may be present.

34. On motion, the Association adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Rev. T. Harrison.

Rev. T. W. Babb preached in the Baptist Church, at 8 o'clock, from Hebrews, 11th chap. 24th verse.

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 13th, 187

35. The Association convened at 9½ o'clock. Pray Rev. R. R. Savage. The roll was called by the Cler further corrections made.

36. Bro. J. H. Mills, Superintendent of Orphan A at Oxford, N. C., and Rev. Elias Dodson, Agent for tic and Indian Mission, were recognized and invited

37. Bro. Delke offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an obitu of Rev. Andrew M. Craig, and the same be appended to the mi

Which was adopted; and Bro. Delke appointe discharge said duty.

38 On motion, Bro. J. H. Mills was allowed the of addressing the Association in behalf of th Asylum.

39. Bro. Delke offered the following:

Resolved, That this body express a deep, heart-felt and pock thy in behalf of the rearing and educating the destitute orph out the State, and cordially recommend the Orphan Asylum at

After discussion by Elias Dodson, Dr. McDow ren Garrett and Delke, it was unanimously adopt

And a collection was taken up amounting which was paid over to Bro. Mills.

40. The Committee on Finance reported as follo

By balance on hand from last report		$112.22
By present contributions from the Churches		138.22
		$250.44
To printing Minutes, session 1874	$120.00	
To amount paid for transcribing Minutes	25.00	$145.00
Balance on hand		$118.44

Respectfully submitted.

J. T. WAFF,
C. G. MANNING,
R. P. THOMAS,
} *Committee.*

Adopted.

41. Bro. J. B. Richardson offered the following

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The work of this body is to serve the Mediatorial Jesus in the instrumental conversion of the world.

Its labors are—

1. To educate poor young men, called of God to preach the gospel. At this time there are fourteen under the patronage of its Educational Board.

2. To give the Gospel to the destitute sections of our own State. In this department the State Mission Board now has employed eight missionaries at a cost of $1,200 per year. Had it the funds, not less than fifty ought to be in the field. This Board also has charge of Church extension, or aiding weak Churches in building houses of worship.

3. *Foreign Missions.* In this work North Carolina has greatly fallen behind in her quota for the year ending March 1st, 1875.

4. *Sabbath-schools.* This is one of its great works. The Sabbath-school Board will soon have Brother G. W. Green in the field as its agent in the place of Rev. N. B. Cobb, who resigned some time since. We recommend to the Association to give the Convention its hearty support in all its labors.

J. B. RICHARDSON, Chairman.

Bro. Richardson made a lengthy speech in support of the report.

42. The hour having arrived for the Conventional Sermon, the Association suspended business, and Elder R. R. Overby proceeded to preach from Numbers xxxii : 6.

Brethren M. Gilliam, L. Taylor, L. Mitchell and Jas. P. Freeman, were appointed to wait on the congregation.

Brethren Prichard, Brown and Parker waited on the congregation at the Methodist Church, where Elder R. R. Savage preached at the same hour.

The amount contributed, $50.38, was

On motion, appropriated to State and Foreign Missions.

43. On motion, the Association adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

May 13th, 1875.

44. The Association re-assembled at 2½ o'clock.

Hymn : " Am I a Soldier of the Cross."

45. The discussion of the report on the Baptist State Convention was resumed ; participated in by Elders Overby, Redd and Bro. Delke, when it was adopted.

46. Prof. Delke, of the Committee on Sabbath School Statistics, presented the following synopsis of his report :

In 1874, number of Churches, 62; number Sabbath-schools, 71.
1875, " " 64; " " 58.
In 1874, number of scholars, 2,743; contributions, $272.29.
1875, " " 2,513; " $365.29.
In 1874, number conversions, 101.
1875, " " 160.
In 1874, number Sunday-school papers taken, 483.
1875, " " " " 833.
In 1874, number Churches without schools, 11.
1875, " " " " 18.
In 1874, number schools open twelve months, 8.
1875, " " " " " 12.

In connection with the report, remarks were offered by Elder Dodson and Bro. Delke, when it was adopted.

47. A free will offering was given by the Association to Elder W. J. Wilkie, Missionary of the State Board, amounting to $11.50, which was paid over to Elder Richardson.

48. Prof. Delke offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to W. W. Mitchell, our Treasurer, for his kind offer to advance the deficiency in our Minute fund. Amount, $40.00.

Resolved, That the Delegates and Pastors instruct their Churches to increase their Minute fund, so as to meet this deficiency at our next session.

Which was adopted.

49. Bro. L. Taylor offered the following:

Resolved, That Rev. R. R. Overby be requested to furnish to the *Biblical Recorder*, for publication, a copy of the Conventional Sermon, delivered at this session.

Adopted.

50. Bro. Moses Gilliam offered the following:

Resolved, That the Pastors in this Association urge upon their Churches to take at least one certificate of life membership in the Baptist State Convention, and that they be requested to pay the money for the same before the meeting of the next Baptist State Convention.

50. On motion, 2,500 copies of the minutes were ordered to be printed, and the Clerk *pro tem.*, Bro. N. L. Shaw, be allowed the usual compensation.

51. On motion, Rev. Elias Dodson was allowed the privilege of addressing the Association in behalf of his Mission.

52. Bro. Edward Pearce offered the following:

Resolved, That the gratitude and thankfulness of our hearts are due to our Heavenly Father for the brotherly love and Christian communion that have characterized our session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to this Church, and

to brethren and friends of neighboring Churches, for the hospitality so generously and cheerfully extended to the delegates.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to our Methodist brethren for their Christian courtesy in granting us the use of their Church during our session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be extended to steamboat and railroad compnnies for their kindness in passing our delegates to and from this session at half fare.

The resolutions were adopted.

53. The business of the session being completed,

On motion, adjourned.

54. The Association engaged in singing "How happy's every child of Grace," and, after prayer by Elder Elias Dodson, the Moderator declared the Association adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, MODERATOR.

NORMAN L. SHAW, Clerk *pro tem.*

CIRCULAR LETTER.

DEAR BRETHREN:—At the last session of the Chowan Baptist Association the report submitted and adopted upon Temperance showed that intemperance in the use of spirituous liquors prevailed to an alarming extent among the male members of the churches composing said Association. It was therefore resolved that a committee should prepare a circular letter upon the subject, to be appended to the Minutes.

There are many features which distinguish the Baptists from the various other denominations professing christianity, and one of the most important of these distinctive features is the fact that we claim that our denomination is composed of converted people; that we are renewed, regenerated and born again; made alive in Christ Jesus, having been baptized into His death and with him arisen to newness of life; hence it becometh us to walk worthy of our vocation, for he who saith he hath fellowship with Christ and walketh in darkness is mistaken. He that hath not the Sprit of Christ is none of His.

It is easily proved from the Scriptures that there is much less of error in the Baptist than in the other churches, and we believe because there is less of error there is more responsibility.

We enter the church voluntarily; no one conducts us, no one speaks for us; we are not inducted therein in infancy, hence we have no sponsors, nor do we give bail, but we enter upon a profession of faith, and take upon ourselves all the vows of christianity of our own free will.

Then, claiming, as we do, to know our duty, and taking upon ourselves freely the obligations of christianity, we incur the greater responsibility; for he who knoweth his Master's will and doeth it not shall be beaten with many stripes, while he who knoweth not and doeth not shall be beaten with only few stripes.

Taking upon ourselves the vows and obligations of Christianity does not, however, make us Christians, but the having of and the being governed by the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

If the question arises here, what is the Spirit of Christ? We answer, sacri-

fice of self. He was rich, and for our sakes became poor that we, through his poverty, might be made rich. He was bruised for our sins, and by His stripes are we healed.

Brethren, have we made a full surrender of self? If we have not, we are in the gall of bitterness and in the bonds of iniquity. Or if we have, having put our hands to the gospel plow and looking back, we become unfit for the Kingdom of Heaven.

The entire membership of the Churches composing the Association are contributing annually twelve thousand dollars to the various objects for the support of Christianity, while three and one-half tenths are using at least thirty thousand dollars annually in spirituous liquors, and five-tenths are probably consuming the same amount annually in the use of tobacco in its various forms, from which the females are by no means entirely excluded.

There are, within the limits of the territory in which the Chowan Association is embraced, twenty thousand professing Christians of the various denominations, (we mean whites) who spend over one hundred thousand dollars annually in drinking, chewing, smoking and dipping, while they do not spend annually to exceed twenty thousand for Christian purposes. There are within the same territory about one hundred and thirty places of worship, with a greater number of places where spirits are sold and distilled. Both classes of these places are, to a very great extent, sustained by the same people, and the most of these people belonging to some church, as there are not to exceed three thousand adult white males within the territory who do not belong to some of the religious denominations.

Such a state of facts is no stigma upon Christianity, but it is a stigma upon the consistency of those who profess to be governed by its influences. It is an evidence, however, that all are not Israel who are of Israel. Have not what we term the Church and what we term the world become assimilated? Where is the dividing line? Who can draw it?

Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no kind Physician to be found? Then why is not the health of the daughter of my people healed? Wholesome discipline is necessary, and this must begin in the pulpit. Our brethren in the ministry must, by precept and example, preach the gospel so as to raise the standard of discipline to its full Biblical measure. If such a course drive off those who will not refrain from practices which have a vile and pernicious tendency, then they go out from us because they are not of us.

We had better be few and weak, and yet governed by the influence of the Holy Spirit than be rich and powerful without such influence. Some of our Churches have five hundred members, and these members own almost exclusively the property of a township, and use thousands of dollars annually for the gratification of acquired tastes and useless habits, while they pay their Pastor a salary of one or two hundred dollars yearly. May we not ask, why spend ye your money for naught? And may we not expect the entire Church to awake to its duty; to arise and gird on the strength of its Master; to put on its beautiful garments—faith, virtue, temperance—and all the Christian graces?

It may be possible, but we think it doubtful, that we who loiter and deliberately drink and slake our thirst with fine liquors, and regale ourselves with Havanas, Durham and fine cut chewing tobacco to the neglect of the furtherance of the gospel, and the conversion of the world, shall enter into thejoys and share the triumphs of the three hundred, (Gideon's band,) who lap as they run, who strike as they step, and step as they strike, who struggle for the victory and find the victory only in the struggle.

J. H. GARRETT, Chairman.

CIRCULAR LETTER,

SETTING FORTH THE VIEWS HELD BY THE CHOWAN ASSOCIATION, IN REGARD TO THE LEGITIMATE AND AUTHORIZED MEANS OF PROMOTING THE OBJECTS OF GENERAL BENEVOLENCE.

Jesus, having finished His personal work on earth, and being about to ascend to His father, said to His disciples: "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations." Or, as recorded by another Evangelist: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." We hold that this language settles several important questions beyond cavil:

1. That he who utters it has authority to command, by reason of the power (all power in heaven and in earth) committed unto Him.

2. That he makes it the great life-work of those to whom the language applies to do the thing commanded, viz: to preach the gospel in all the world and to every creature.

3. That the language was addressed to the disciples not in their individual, but in their representative capacity, and hence that it is equally binding upon them all, and will so continue until the work is done.

In regard to the means of doing the work thus commanded, Jesus says nothing, in the commission or elsewhere, but leaves his followers free to use such means, not forbidden in the spirit or letter of the gospel, as, in their judgment, may seem likely to prove most efficient. Hence any one who has the means and whose circumstances admit of it, may go and preach the gospel at his own charges, or assist other suitable men in doing it, without consultation or counsel. But most of Christ's followers are poor; they have not the means either as individuals or as Churches, acting separately, to send the gospel beyond their own neighborhoods. Very many of them are also obscure and illiterate; they do not know either where destitution exists or how to supply it; hence, if anything effectual is to be done by them in carrying out the command of the Master, it must be done by combination. But if it were otherwise, if every disciple of Jesus possessed ample means and ample knowledge, it would still be true that vastly more could be accomplished by combination than by separate action. This principle is sanctioned by reason and confirmed by the universal experience of mankind. Hence we hold that it is the duty of all Christians, whose doctrinal views are the same, to cooperate cordially in sustaining those agencies, which, reasonable and right in themselves, experience has proved to be most efficient in advancing those objects of general benevolence for the promotion of which all are equally responsible and in the success of which all ought to feel an equal interest.

A. McDOWELL,)
JOHN MITCHELL, } Committee.
J. S. HOGGARD,)

IN MEMORIAM.

Rev. ANDREW M. CRAIG.

A. M. Craigg was born in Orange county, N. C., October 9th, 1806.

In 1825 he professed faith in Christ, and was baptized by Dr. Clarke, in Caswell county.

In 1832 he entered on the work of the Christian Ministry, by the authority af Sandy Run Church, Bertie county.

1874, October 29th, he was called to receive his crown of righteousness, having fought a good fight, having finished his course, having kept the faith. He died repeating the comforting assurance of David, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want."

Truly can it be said of him, the world is better for his having lived in it. As a man he was amiable, courteous, generous, kind.

"None knew him but to love him,
None named him but to praise."

As an educator he was faithful, firm, zealous, indefatigable. I recall with pleasure my association with him as a co-laborer in the school-room, and cheerfully concede to him an unequaled amount of unflagging energy and patient devotion in the arduous labors of instruction. As a husband and father he was gentle, loving, true and just. As a Christian he was of good report; his praise was in the Churches blest by his labors—Sandy Run, Bethlehem, Republican, Mt. Carmel, Cashie—having ministered to the last about twenty years, with great fidelity and success.

His Christian integrity, sterling probity, scholarly attainments and unswerving devotion to his Master's cause, made him, if not a Peter in impulsive zeal, a John of meek and persuasive bearing, and at times a "Son of Thunder." Having fought the good fight of faith, he died in the harness.

"Servant of God, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

"Soldier of Christ, well done!
Peace be thy new employ;
And while eternal ages run,
Rest in thy Saviour's joy."

J. A. D.

Sabbath School Statistics.---A.

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	Superintendents and their Post Offices.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Volumes in Library.	No. of Kind Words taken.	No. Baptist Teachers taken.	Other Papers.	CONTRIBUTIONS			No. months kept open.
												S. School Board.	Other Objects.	Total.	
Ahoskie,.....	2	Jas. S. Mitchell and John W. Holleman, Winton.	17	12	140	85	...	25	22	...	...	.....	.....	.....	6ea
Ballard's Bridge	2	Humphrey Griffin and A. A. Parish, Woodville,	8	5	55	40	10	143	...	5	29	.....	$10 00	$10 00	...
Berea,.....	2	James Jennings and Elias Pritchard, E. City,..	12	10	90	75	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	8
Bethel,.....	1	J. W. Trotman,.....	16	15	69	40	13	....	22	...	...	$ 4 10	4 10	4 10	12
Bethlehem,.....	..	None,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Buckhorn,.....	1	T. D. Boone,.....	8	6	35	20	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Capehearts, ...	1	Jos. N. Thomas, Merry Hill,.....	7	5	46	24	8	50	10	...	...	.....	5 00	5 00	7
Cashie, ...	1	D. E. Tayloe, Windsor,.....	7	5	30	25	2	50	10	...	...	.....	5 00	5 00	12
Cedar Branch,..	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Colerain,.....	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Chappell's Hill,	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Connaritsa, ...	..	None,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Cool Spring,...	2	H. S. Daughtry and T. Umphlet, Winton,.....	10	10	42	40	25	12	9	...	...	.....	1 48	1 48	5
Corinth, ...	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Dudley's Grove,	1	Asa Sanders, Winton,.....	10	4	60	35	...	24	...	5	2	.....	.....	.....	4
Ebenezer,.....	..	None,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Edenton,.....	1	K. R. Pendleton, Edenton,.....	22	18	65	50	...	75	33	...	25	25 00	.....	25 00	12
Elam,.....	..	None,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Elizabeth City,.	1	John S. Waugh, Elizabeth City,.....	13	10	90	75	...	120	60	...	20	18 00	.....	18 00	12
2 Galatia,.....	1	Kinchen Davis,.....	7	5	45	35	...	....	50	...	4	.....	2 50	2 50	8
Gatesville, ...	1	Hans Hofler, Gatesville,.....	8	5	35	25	...	50	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	8
Great Hope,....	1	G. A. Griffin, Hertford,.....	15	10	50	30	...	175	...	...	...	.....	10 00	10 00	6
Green's X Roads	1	Eli T. Mizell, Windsor,.....	5	4	35	35	3	....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	5
Hebron,.....	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...

Sabbath School Statistics—*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Volumes in Library.	No. of Kind Words taken.	No. Baptist Teachers taken.	Other Papers.	CONTRIBUTIONS			No. months kept open.
												S. School Board.	Other Objects.	Total.	
Hertford,	1	D. P. Daughtry, Hertford,	10	6	57	40	...	100	20	...	..	$ 9 45	$21 33	$30 76	12
Holly Grove,	..	No School,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Lawrence's X R	..	No School,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Macedonia,	..	No Letter,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Mars Hill,	1	H. A. Hobbs, Colerain,	5	3	40	25	8	250	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	7
Meherrin,	2	George Spencer and Amos Parker, Murfreesboro'	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Middle Swamp,	..	No School reported,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Mt. Carmel,	1	R. Stephenson and L. B. Stephenson, Seaboard,	10	8	40	30	11	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	5
Mt. Pleasant,	1	Frank Spruill, Scuppernong,	4	4	19	15	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	7
Mt. Tabor,	3	Jno. D. Gatling and W. C. Parker, Murfreesboro'	13	11	100	80	8	180	...	14	...	.....	.....	.....	12
Mt. Zion,	1	W. R. Spruill, Columbia,	8	5	30	18	...	50	...	...	...	.....	10 50	10 50	7
Murfreesboro',	2	A. McDowell and L. T. Spiers,	14	14	135	125	2	100	47	...	10	14 24	14 74	28 98	12
Piney Grove,	2	T. E. Waff and M. C. Lawrence, Buckland,	6	5	68	40	11	56	20	...	...	.....	2 00	2 00	12
Pleasant Grove,	1	Superintendent not given,	11	10	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	6
Plymouth,	1	J. E. Lawrence, Plymouth,	5	5	20	15	...	100	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	6
Potecasie,	..	Dallas M. Beall, Potecasi,	9	6	62	40	8	150	12	1	...	.....	.....	.....	7
Powell's Point,	1	Abner Gibson, Powell's Point,	12	...	60	...	...	100	75	8	100	.....	.....	.....	7
Providence,	1	W. B. Shaw, Indian Town,	8	...	60	27	...	200	...	...	...	5 00	10 00	15 00	8
Ramoth Gilead,	1	M. W Buffkin, Rosedale,	10	4	76	20	...	75	60	...	...	...	.....	.....	12
Rehoboth,	1	Uriah Balance, Currituck C. H.,	5	3	40	30	...	....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Republican,	1	W. H. Bunch, Windsor,	7	...	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Roanoke Island,	..	No School,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Robert's Chapel	1	J. H. Edwards, Boykin's Depot,	8	5	30	20	3	40	15	...	4	3 00	7 00	10 00	6
Rocky Hock,	1	E. Bynum, Edenton,	13	9	120	75	18	250	16	...	12	.....	27 53	27 53	9

Ross' Church,..	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem,.....	1	E. D. Pendleton, Elizabeth City,.....	12	...	60	....	...	290	20	1	4	.....	14 00	14 00	12
Sandy Cross,....	..	No return,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sandy Run,....	1	John C. Syms, Roxabel,.....	10	8	60	45	12	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	6
Sawyer's Creek,	2	M. R. Gregory and T. F. Midgette, Camden C H.,	20	15	140	75	...	225	45	...	...	50 00	.....	50 00	12
Shady Grove,..	1	Dennis West, Sulls' Creek,.....	12	9	47	35	1	100	...	...	...	.....	9 00	9 00	9
Sharon,.....	1	Austin Parisher, Columbia,.....	7	7	48	44	3	150	10	...	...	.....	.....	.....	6
Shiloh,.....	2	E. P. Daily, Shiloh, Camden co.,.....	18	15	70	60	3	75	20	...	...	.....	.....	.....	9ea
Sound Side,....	1	Edmond Hopkins, Columbia,.....	8	6	42	35	...	195	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	8
Warwick,.....	1	Anderson J. Ward, Wardsville,.....	10	10	23	15	...	15	...	5	...	.....	6 03	6 03	8
Weldon,.....	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
White Oak,.....	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Whiteville Gr've	1	Ambrose D. White, Windfall,.....	20	15	80	60	...	150	25	...	...	.....	.....	.....	7
Winton,.....	1	W. P. Taylor, Winton,.....	7	6	60	40	9	....	20	...	...	.....	.....	.....	12
Woodville,.....	..	No School,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Yoppim,.....	3	John T. Waff, H. Bass, T. H. Bonner, Edenton.	24	...	126	....	2	300	50	3	...	.....	45 00	45 00	9
		Total,.....	371	313	2711	1643	160	3875	651	42	210	124 67	205 21	329 88	

Financial Table.---B.

CHURCHES.	White Membership.	White Male Membership.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR.							PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS.							EXTRA.
			State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W. F. College	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expenses.	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W. F. College	Association Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.	Domestic and Indian Mission reported by E. Dodson
Ahoskie,	343	133						$ 200	$ 20 15	$ 40 25	$ 4 10	$ 4				$ 5		$ 273 50	
Ballard's Bridge,	448	178	$ 49 26	$ 11 81	$ 6 00	$ 7 42		125	25	17	10 40	3 82				5		260 71	$ 11 13
Berea,	88	143									3 02	3				2		8 02	6 50
Bethel,	271	82	24 00					400	25	4 50		4 10	$ 7 75			4 50	$1	470 85	9 36
Bethlehem,	211	72	10 00	10 00	25 00			200	16	17	10	10				3		301	
Buckhorn,	104	36	30 00	20 00				140	60	53 25						2		305 25	
Capehearts,	306	128									5	5	3			2 50		15 50	
Cashie,	217	72						400	116 82	81 68	7 58	7 58			$ 5 90	5		624 56	
Cedar Branch, †																			
Colerain, *																3		3	12 20
Chappel's Hill, ‡																			
Connaritsa,	269	81	4 00	4 00				100	15	6 70						3		132 70	
Cool Spring,	236	74		5 00			$ 3 00	100	1 50	25		5 20				2 20		141 90	9 45
Corinth, *	126	30																	
Dudley's Grove,	89	41						90	10							1		101	
Ebenezer,	72	24	8 50		10 00			300	25							1 50		345	
Edenton,	124	39						550	100		15					2		667	24 80
Elam,	89	22	70													1 50		2 20	
Elizabeth City,	205	48		10 00	8 00		15 00	600	80							2 50		715 50	
Gallatia,	130	63	4 44	2 44	3 00			130	140	5						1 75		286 63	
Gatesville,	62	30						100	15		2	2	1			2		122	8 00
Great Hope,	72	31						75	50							2		127	1 00
Greens X Boads,	63	24						25	700	13						1		739	
Hebron,	130	59						120	20		3	4	3			2		152	
Hertford,	52	16	16 15	15 80	12 70	12 05	15 00	375	55	37 87	2 50	6 70	3 30	3 10		1		556 17	7 00
Holly Grove,	80	23	12 68	13 60	10 40		100 00	130	10	19 50		8				2		306 18	
Lawrence X R'ds,	20	10														1		1	
Macedonia, *																1		1	4 26
Mars Hill,	141	63						125	24	12	7	5 70				2		175 70	
Meherrin,	266	104						150	26 10		15	15				3		209 10	
Middle Swamp,	124	47						125	25							3		153	
Mt. Carmel, *	232		11 00					169	11 35							2 50		184 85	

Mt. Pleasant,	68	21	10 00					100								2		112		
Mt. Tabor,	188	74	15 00	13 00				150	7	24 69						5		214 69	18 80	
Mt. Zion,	38	14						125	10							2		137		
Murfreesboro',	97	26	62 95	115 70	17 85		145 00	331 75	36 22	218 84						2 50		930 81	59 95	
Piney Grove,	139	51	20 00	5 00	25 00			125	10	78 60						3		266 60		
Pleasant Grove,	126	54	5 50					150	28 25	45	5 05					3		236 80		
Plymouth,	33	12	10 00					50	157 22							1 50		218 72		
Potecasi,	221	84	3 90	3 90				180	30		6 73	6 73				2		233 26		
Powell's Point,	60	23														1		1		
Providence,	91	30	21 00		39 00		50 00	250	24							3		387	21 00	
Ramoth Gilead,	182	79	10 00	28 00		4 00		400	11							3		456	23 75	
Rehoboth,	54	22														1		1		
Republican,	270	90						100	50							2 75		152 75		
Roanoke Island,	102	36														1 50		1 50		
Roberts' Chapel,	160	48				3 00	4 00	150	14	55	7	7				2 50		242 50		
Rocky Hock,	277	113	10 00					150	35	59 26		0 88	19 41			3		277 55	19 13	
Ross' Church,	416	142		10 00				100	21 50			10				3		154 50		
Salem,	114	39						150								2		152	5 50	
Sandy Cross, †‡																				
Sandy Run,	249	84						200	15	20	10	10	10			3		268		
Sawyers' Creek,	375	106	41 74		31 00		4 60	350	20	20						3		470 34	22 00	
Shady Grove,	79	25	10 00					150	12							1 50		173 50	1 50	
Sharon,	22	5		3 00				40				3				1		47		
Shiloh,	338	110	8 00		100 00			250	20	20						3 02		401 02	13 00	
Sound Side,	110	77						150								1 50		151 50		
Warwick,	179	66	5 68					40	9							2		56 68		
Weldon,	24	11			7 50		6 60	100								1 50		115		
White Oak,	41	15														1 50		1 50		
Whiteville Grove,	199	61						150	12	40						2		204		
Winton,	38	6						160	200	20						2		382	10 40	
Woodville,	new	Ch	urch	nothin	g	sent	up													
Yoppim,	150	65	31 36		15 00			200	25	116 50						2 50		390 66	8 05	
Total,	9,010	3,262	$436 16	$371 25	$310 45	$26 47	$342 60	$9,021 75	$2,328 11	$1,050 64	$113 38	$121 71	$47 40	$9 00	00	$ 138 22	$1.	$14,218 20	$296 78	

Amount contributed in cash during the session for various objects, 232 10

Amount paid over to Bro. Elias Dodson for Domestic and Indian Missions, as shown in "Extra" Table, 296 78

$14,747 08

*Report incomplete. †No Report. ‡Not represented.

CHURCH STATISTICS—C.

Number.	CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION	SABBATHS OF PREACHING	Additions.			Diminutions.			White Males	W. Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	Total.	PASTORS.	
				Baptisms.	Letters.	Restoration.	Letters.	Exclusion	Deaths							
1	Ahoskie,	Hertford, 1812,	4th,	27	4	3	10	8	3	153	210	363	....	363	R. R. Savage,	W
2	Ballard's Bridge,	Chowan, 1781,	2nd,	58	4	7	11	11	5	178	330	508	18	526	West Leary,	E
3	Berea	Pasquotank, 1856,	2nd,	8	....	1	....	5	1	88	143	231	....	231	J. M. C. Luke,	M
4	Bethel,	Perquimans, 1806,	2nd,	30	11	2	5	12	3	82	189	271	....	271	B. B. Williams,	G
5	Bethlehem,	Hertford, 1835,	3rd,	26	7	2	18	1	1	75	139	211	4	215	J. N. Hoggard,	A
6	Buckhorn,	Hertford, 1835,	2nd,	....	3	....	....	5	....	36	68	104	8	112	R. R. Savage	J.
7	Capehart's,	Bertie, 1834,	2nd,	43	1	5	17	9	5	128	178	306	6	312	Thomas Hoggard,	G
8	Cashie,	Bertie, 1798,	1st & 3rd,	15	1	....	12	1	4	72	145	217	13	230	A. D Cohen,	A
9	Cedar Branch,	Martin, 1869,	1st.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	B. F. Barker,	Jo
10	Colerain,	Bertie, 1789,	3rd,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	B. B. Williams,	W
11	Chappel's Hill,	Perquimans, 1869,	4th,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	E. Bunch,	F.
12	Connaritsa,	Bertie, 1798,	3rd,	3	4	6	6	1	....	81	188	769	2	271	J. Bunch,	A.
13	Cool Spring,	Gates, 1826,	1st,	49	3	3	7	17	4	74	162	236	....	236	J. P. Lee,	M
14	Corinth,	Northampton, 1854,	1st,	2	2	1	5	6	3	30	96	126	1	127	H. B. Parker,	A
15	Dudley's Grove,	Hertford, 1872,	2nd.	11	1	2	4	4	2	41	48	89	....	89	H. B. Parker,	Jo
16	Ebenezer,	Camden, 1829,	Not given,	....	....	....	....	....	....	24	48	72	....	72	R. R. Overby,	J.
17	Edenton,	Chowan, 1816,	2nd,	5	....	....	....	4	....	39	85	124	....	124	A. D. Cohen,	T.
18	Elam,	Northampton, 1844,	1st,	3	....	....	1	1	2	22	67	89	....	89	No Pastor,	Jo
19	Elizabeth City,	Pasquotank, 1786,	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	....	4	1	5	5	....	48	157	205	....	205	J F. Tuttle,	Jo
20	Galatia,	Northampton, 1859,	1st & 2nd,	12	6	....	....	5	....	63	67	130	1	131	John Mitchell,	J.
21	Gatesville,	Gates, 1854,	3rd,	1	5	....	....	1	1	30	32	62	....	62	John P. Lee,	Jo
22	Great Hope,	Perquimans, 1869,	1st,	1	10	....	....	3	1	31	41	72	....	72	D. J. Roberts,	Lu
23	Green's X Roads,	Bertie, 1874,	3rd,	21	9	....	....	1	....	24	39	63	....	63	Jos. W. White,	Z.
24	Hebron,	Northampton, 1856,	3rd,	....	....	....	3	3	1	59	71	130	....	130	H. B. Parker,	Jo
25	Hertford,	Perquimans, 1854,	1st & 3rd,	1	3	....	2	1	....	16	36	52	....	52	T. Harrison,	P.
26	Holly Grove,	Bertie, 1804,	1st,	....	3	1	....	1	1	23	57	80	11	91	J. Bunch,	J.
27	Lawrence X Ro'ds	Bertie, 1875,	1st,	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	10	20	....	20	Edward Pearce	Ja
28	Macedonia,	Chowan, 1850,	3rd,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	West Leary,	W
29	Mars Hill,	Bertie, 1854,	2nd & 4th,	27	5	2	3	3	....	63	78	141	....	141	J. C. Fleetwood,	B.
30	Meherrin,	Hertford, 1773,	1st,	22	7	2	10	1	6	104	162	266	21	287	J. N. Hoggard,	O.
31	Middle Swamp,	Gates, 1806,	2nd,	27	1	1	6	4	....	47	77	124	....	124	T. W. Babb	W
32	Mt. Carmel,	Northampton, 1823,	4th,	15	1	....	1	....	4	66	66	132	1	133	J. N. Hoggard,	Is
33	Mt. Pleasant,	Washington, 1850,	1st,	8	....	6	1	1	....	21	47	68	....	68	W. L. Maget	W
34	Mt. Tabor,	Hertford, 1839,	3rd,	23	1	1	17	3	2	74	114	188	8	196	R. R. Savage,	Th
35	Mt. Zion,	Tyrrell, 1852,	3rd,	1	1	....	....	....	....	14	24	38	....	38	W. L. Maget,	Jo
36	Murfreesboro',	Hertford, 1842,	1st & 2nd,	2	1	....	3	....	2	26	71	97	....	97	John Mitchell,	L.
37	Piney Grove,	Gates, 1827,	4th,	45	4	2	4	....	2	51	88	139	2	141	T. W. Babb,	A.
38	Pleasant Grove,	Hertford, 1837,	4th,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	B. B. Williams,	J.
39	Plymouth,	Washington, 1868,	4th,	....	2	....	....	3	....	12	21	33	....	33	W. L. Maget,	J.
40	Potecasi,	Northampton, 1808,	2nd,	14	1	1	1	2	2	86	135	221	....	221	J. N. Hoggard,	H.
41	Powell's Point,	Currituck, 1804,	4th,	7	2	3	4	5	2	23	37	60	....	60	Wm. Briggs,	A.
42	Providence,	Currituck, 1828,	3rd,	1	8	....	8	8	1	30	61	91	....	91	R. R. Overby,	Jo
43	Ramoth Gilead,	Pasquotank, 1808,	2nd & 4th,	13	1	2	2	6	3	79	103	182	....	182	R. R. Overby,	J.
44	Rehoboth,	Currituck, 1873,	2nd,	39	17	....	....	1	1	22	32	54	....	54	Dorsey Sanderlin,	W
45	Republican,	Bertie, 1834,	2nd,	37	2	....	1	6	4	90	180	270	12	282	Edward J. Bunch,	Ir
46	Roanoke Island,	Dare, 1808,	Not given,	20	....	5	2	4	2	36	66	102	....	102	No Pastor,	W
47	Robert's Chapel,	Northampton, 1848,	1st,	3	7	....	6	2	2	48	112	160	6	166	R. R. Savage,	W
48	Rocky Hock,	Chowan, 1835,	1st,	33	6	1	2	5	3	113	164	277	8	285	B. B. Williams,	W
49	Ross' Church,	Bertie, 1804,	4th,	46	5	6	4	4	2	142	274	416	2	418	Thos. Hoggard,	J.
50	Salem,	Pasquotank, 1790,	1st,	1	....	....	2	5	2	39	75	114	....	114	West Leary,	R.
51	Sandy Cross,	Gates, 1828,	Not given,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	T. W. Babb,	Je
52	Sandy Run,	Bertie, 1750,	4th,	19	5	1	....	3	5	84	165	249	4	253	J. Bunch,	Jo
53	Sawyer's Creek,	Camden, 1790,	2nd & 4th	14	....	7	20	17	....	106	269	375	....	375	Oliver Horton,	T.
54	Shady Grove,	Currituck, 1822,	3rd,	2	8	2	3	3	2	25	54	79	1	80	O. C. Horton,	Th
55	Sharon,	Tyrrell, 1869,	1st,	4	1	....	....	2	2	8	17	25	1	26	Wm. P. Jordan,	Au
56	Shiloh,	Camden, 1757,	1st,	16	8	6	5	11	3	110	228	338	....	338	R. R. Overby,	D.
57	Sound Side,	Tyrrell, 1852,	2nd,	2	....	....	2	16	2	33	77	110	....	110	W. L. Maget,	W
58	Warwick,	Chowan, 1860,	3rd,	....	3	....	1	3	1	66	13	79	....	79	E. Bunch,	Ja
59	Weldon,	Halifax, ——,	1st,	....	1	....	1	....	1	11	13	24	....	24	W. T. Walters,	B.
60	White Oak,	Bertie, 1856,	1st,	5	....	....	1	....	1	15	26	41	2	43	B. B. Barber,	F.
61	Wilkesville Grove,	Perquimans, 1851,	3rd,	17	....	2	7	1	....	61	138	199	1	200	T. W. Babb,	W
62	Winton,	Hertford, 1874,	1st,	10	....	....	....	....	1	38	32	70	....	70	John Mitchell,	J.
63	Woodville,	Perquimans, 1875,	New church,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	T. Harrison,	Th
64	Yoppim,	Chowan, 1775,	4th,	2	10	....	10	8	6	65	85	150	9	159	T. Harrison,	J.
				791	189	64	233	232	101	3,222	5,700	8,922	142	9,064		

CAL TABLE OF THE CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—D.

ODERATOR.	CLERKS.	ASSISTANT CLERK.	PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON.	TEXT.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership.	Contributions.
ge Outlaw,....	Lemuel Burkitt....	James Ross,.....	John Wall,.....	Luke xxiv:36,.....	18	55	1,750	£12 12s0d
ge Outlaw,....	Lemuel Burkitt....	James Ross,.....	Martin Ross,.....	1 Cor xiv:40,.....	19	68	1,947	9 12 6
ge Outlaw,....	Aaron Spivey,.....	James Ross.....	James Ross,.....	Songs, viii:5,.....	20	80	1,768	12 16 0
ge Outlaw,....	John Hamilton,....	James Wright,.....	James Nowell,.....	1 Cor. xii:13,.....	21	62	1,780	12 5 0
ge Outlaw,....	Aaron Spivey.....	William Dossey.....	Aaron Spivey,.....	Hag. i:7,.....	22	64	1,756	16 0 0
n Spivey,.....	Richard Poindexter,	.....	Richard Poinderter,.	Psalms, xcii:12,...	23	158	1,789	16 0 0
n Spivey,.....	James Wright,.....	.....	James Wright,.....	1 Peter, xi:7,.....	23	139	1,253	16 10 0
ge Outlaw.....	James Wright,....	.....	John Brice,.....	2 Tim. iv:2,.....	23	115	1,843	11 12 6
n Spivey,.....	James Wright,....	William Spence,.....	James Wright,.....	Cant ii:9,.....	23	185	1,919	$ 35 00
ge Outlaw,....	James Wright,....	David Pritchard,.....	Nathaniel Pruden,...	Songs ii:10-12,....	23	71	1,916	34 50
ge Outlaw,....	James Wright,....	John Wheeler,.....	James Ross,.....	Nahum, i:7,.....	23	68	1,820	34 50
ge Outlaw,....	James Wright,.....	John Wheeler,.....	Martin Ross,.....	Heb. ii:13,.....	22	138	2,013	39 00
mas Brownrigg,	James Wright,.....	Thomas Meredith,.....	Luther Rice,.....	Psalms viii:4,.....	22	123	1,756	32 00
mas Brownrigg,	Thomas Meredith,..	.....	John Rowe.....	Isaiah lv:5,.....	22	70	1,755	45 00
mas Brownrigg,	James Wright,....	.....	Aaron Spivey,.....	Heb. xii:1-2.....	22	75	1,566	36 00
rge Outlaw,....	James Wright,.....	Elder Newbern.....	Martin Ross,.....	Judges viii:4,.....	22	54	1,745	33 50
mas Brownrigg,	James Wright.....	Edward Wood,.....	Aaron Spivey,.....	Mark xiii:27,.....	22	55	1,756	32 50
rge Outlaw,....	James Wright,.....	Hardy Cobb,.....	Martin Ross,.....	1 Chron, xii:32,...	23	227	1,952	39 00
rge Outlaw,....	James Wright	John Peellee.....	John Harrell,.....	Zech. xiii:1,.....	24	351	2,236	40 00
rge Outlaw,....	James Wright,.....	Simon Turner,.....	Jere Etheridge.....	John vii:56,.....	25	964	3,134	44 50
tin Ross.....	James Wright,.....	James G. Hall	W. H. Jordan,.....	1 John i:18,.....	26	294	3,023	46 50
tin Ross,.....	James Wright,.....	James G. Hall,.....	John Harrell,.....	Mark i:15,.....	26	32	3,192	40 50
es Wright,.....	James G. Hall,.....	Edmund Hoskins,.....	James Wright,.....	Cant, iv.12,.....	28	246	3,200	47 62
es Wright,.....	James G. Hall,.....	John Peelee,.....	James Ross,.....	Rev. xxi:24,.....	29	284	3,381	45 50
es Ross.....	James G. Hall,.....	John Peelee,.....	Reuben Lawrence,...	Mat. vi:33,.....	30	110	3,160	46 50
és Ross.....	James G. Hall,.....	S. J. Wheeler, A. Spivey,.....	G. M. Thompson....	1 Cor. x:4,.....	32	191	3,282	50 00
mas Jordan,....	James G. Hall,.....	A. Spivey,.....	Thomas Meredith,...	Heb. xi:6,.....	31	414	3,285	47 82
es Ross,.....	A. J. Spivey,.....	.....	G. M. Thompson,....	Isaiah xlii:11,.....	31	597	3,765	56 00
) Harrell,.....	A. J. Spivey,.....	.....	John Harrell,.....	Rev. xix:9,.....	33	190	3,815	56 42
mas Jordan,....	A. J. Spivey,.....	Wm. Darden,.....	Q. H. Trotman,.....	1 John iii:2,.....	34	122	3,664	52 50
c Baxter,.....	John Peele,.....	James Pruden,.....	Reuben Lawrence,...	Isaiah lx:1,.....	38	218	3,294	54 00
c Baxter,.....	James L. Grimes,...	R. B. Cobb,.....	G. M. Thompson,....	Heb. xiii:1,.....	38	111	3,484	51 50
c Baxter,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	.....	A. M. Craig,.....	John x:24,.....	38	466	3,828	55 20
c Baxter,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	.....	Henry Speight.....	Malachi iii:16-17,..	38	238	3,956	48 50
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. W. Darden, S. T. Bond,....	Evans Forbes,.....	Mat. vii:12,.....	40	392	4,368	56 20
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	C. Salstonstall, Wm. Darden,...	R. Lawrence,.....	1 Cor. xv:58,.....	40	541	4,818	57 50
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	Q. H. Trotman, Dr. Tillybridge,	G. M. Thompson,....	Acts iv:13,.....	42	609	5,140	65 25
) Moore.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	S. T. Bond,.....	Q. H. Trotman,.....	1 Peter i:5,.....	42	1329	5,783	65 50
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew, S. T. Bond,.....	John Nowell,.....	Mark iii:35,.....	42	410	6,485	62 50
. Moore,.....	R. B. Cobb, *pro tem,*	Elder Waff, A. W. Darden,....	Thomas Waff,.....	Gal. v:25,.....	42	332	6,433	69 75
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew, S. T. Bond,.....	G. M. Thompson,....	Psalms cxxxvii:5-6,	42	378	6,470	69 75
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	S. T. Bond, W. D. Pritchard,...	D. Sanderlin,.....	Phil. i:8-10,.....	43	591	6,330	1,036 36
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler.....	.....	J. G. Barkly,.....	1 Cor. xv:50.....	43	1005	7,755	71 70
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew, W. D. Pritchard,.	R. H. Trotman,.....	Mark xvi:15,.....	45	792	7,901	84 00
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, S. T. Bond,...	M. R. Fory,.....	1 Cor. iii:12-13,....	45	545	7,981	69 75
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, S. T. Bond,...	Aaron Jones,.....	Col. i:14,.....	47	644	7,970	90 80
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, J. B. Morgan,	W. P. Britton, Jr.,..	1 Cor. ix:13-14,....	43	956	9,960	92 50
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, G. W. Johnson.	W. M. Wingate.....	Acts, ii:44-46.....	43	553	9,031	90 50
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, T. C. Skinner,	J. B. Taylor,.....	John ix:4,.....	44	658	8,957	93 00
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew,.....	L. M. Carter,.....	Psalms cxxxvii:5-6,	47	606	10,057	98 00
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew,.....	J. L. Pritchard,....	Romans iii:21-26,...	48	542	9,512	92 50
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	S. T. Bond.....	T. H. Pritchard,....	Matthew x-31,.....	51	1012	9,958	100 00
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	J. D. Boushall, W. W. Knight,	Elder Weatherln,....	John iii:13-14,.....	52	515	10,977	102 00
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	A. J. Askew, W. J. Freeman,..	Q. H. Trotman,.....	Matthew xvi:18,....	52	871	10,586	99 55
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. D. Pritchard, Wm. Darden,	W. W. Kone,.....	1 Thess. ii:13-15,..	52	837	10,811	106 50
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	R. D. Simpson, H. C. Edwards,	T. J. Knapp,.....	Jer. i:17,.....	53	625	11,054	85 50
. Jones,.....	John Mitchell,.....	J. D. Barnes.....	B. B. Williams,.....	Heb v:9,.....	53	41	11,034	41 00
. Moore,.....	John Mitchell,.....	J. D. Barnes, H. C. Edwards,..	R. B. Jones,.....	1 John i:7,.....	52	106	10,669	173 50
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	.....	R. R. Overby,.....	Mark xii:34,.....	52	625	9,436	316 00
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	.....	R. B. Jones,.....	1 Peter i:23,.....	52	596	10,674	386 30
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,.....	John Mitchell,.....	Romans iii:21,.....	53	723	10,525	149 21
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,.....	R. R. Overby,.....	Ex xiv:14-15,.....	52	922	10,206	18,154 93
. Moore,.....	S. J. Wheeler,.....	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,.....	J. M. C. Luke,.....	Jer. xvii:9,.....	53	327	10,725	13,925 14
. Moore,.....	W. C. Parker,.....	A. J. Cobb,.....	J. D. Hufham,.....	Matthew viii:11,...	56	612	9,705	7,751 85
. Moore,.....	W. C. Parker,.....	A. Bass, W. H. Powell,.....	John Mitchell,.....	Acts ix:31,.....	57	468	9,898	14,102 8
. Moore,.....	W. C. Parker,.....	A. J. Cobb, W. H. Riddick,...	T. J. Knapp.....	Josh. xxiii:36,.....	56	557	9,436	12,58[illegible] 23
. Moore,.....	W. C. Parker,.....	A. J. Cobb, L. W. Babb,.....	R. R. Savage,.....	Romans vii:6,.....	58	820	10,251	15,[illegible]11 97
. Moore,.....	W. C. Parker,.....	N. L. Shaw.....	T. W. Babb,.....	Isaiah lxii:1,.....	58	421	9,661	1,595 25
. Moore,.....	W. C. Parker,.....	L. D. L. Parker,.....	John Mitchell,.....	John xvi:12-15,....	62	435	9,612	14,747 08
			A. D. Cohen	Romans iii:12-15	64	791	9,067	

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Ramoth Gilead, Pasquotank County, N. C.,

MAY 16th, 17th and 18th, 1876.

R. R. OVERBY, Moderator, ...ELIZABETH CITY.
W. C. PARKER. Clerk,.....MURFREESBORO.
W. W. MITCHELL, Treasurer,.....WINTON.

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN THE CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. Askew, Williamson.....Hertford.
2. Babb, T. W.....Gatesville.
3. Barber, B. F .....Windsor.
4. Briggs, Wells.....Shiloh.
5. Bunch, Ephraim.....Gatesville.
6. Bunch, Jeremiah.....Windsor.
7. Cohen, A. D.....Edenton.
8. Etheridge, D. V.....Manteo.
9. Fleetwood, J. C.....Margarettsville
10. Gilliland, D.....Plymouth.
11. Harrell, David.....Windsor.
12. Harrisson, T.....Hertford.
13. Hoggard, J. N.....Murfreesboro.
14. Hoggard, Thos.....Coleraine.
15. Horton, O. C.....Elizabeth City
16. Howell, Ed.....Gatesville.
17. Hufham, J. D.....Raleigh.
18. Jordan, J. P.....Elizabeth City
19. King, B. F.....Windsor.
20. Leary West.....Edenton.
21. Lee, John P.....Murfreesboro.
22. Maget, W. L .....St. Johns'.
23. McDowell, A.....Murfreesboro.
24. Mizell, M. L.....Windsor.
25. Overby, R. R .....Elizabeth City
26. Parker, H. B.....Murfreesboro.
27. Pearce, Edward.....Merry Hill.
28. Peed, H. G.....Powell's Point
29. Roberts, D. J.....Hertford.
30. Rochelle, J. J.....Jackson.
31. Sanderlin, D.....Woodville.
32. Simpson, Q. T.....Elizabeth City
33. Savage, R. R.....Murfreesboro.
34. Tuttle, J. F.....Elizabeth City
35. White, J. W.....Merry Hill.
36. Williams, B. B.....Coleraine.
37. Wood, Thomas G.....Harrellsville.

PROCEEDINGS.

MAY 16th, 1876.

1. The Chowan Baptist Association met, in its seventy-first Annual Session, this day, with Ramoth Gilead Church, in Pasquotank county, N. C.

2. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder B. B. Williams, from 2d Timothy, iii : 5.

3. After the sermon the Association took a recess of one hour and a quarter.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, May 16th, 1876.

4. In the absence of Dr. Moore, Moderator of last session, brother W. W. Mitchell was, on motion of W. C. Parker, called to the Chair temporarily, and opened the Association by reading the 112th Psalm. Elder Savage led in prayer.

5. The Moderator appointed brothers J. W. Mitchell, B. B. Gilliam, J. S. Jones a Committee on Finance.

6. Brethren J. S. Mitchell, Edward Pearce, W. P. Taylor, were constituted a Committee on Sabbath School Statistics.

7. Brethren M. R. Gregory, J. M. Morgan, J. H. Garret were appointed a Committee on Statistics of Benevolence.

8. Brethren A. M. Darden and N. L. Shaw were appointed Assistant Clerks.

9. The Pastor and Deacons of the church constituted the Committee on Religious Exercises.

10. Delegates from the churches were enrolled as follows:

Ahoskie—Henry Modlin, J. S. Mitchell, W. W. Mitchell.
Ballard's Bridge—Edward Pearce, Joseph H. Simpson, J. W. Griffin.
Berea—Sam'l Overman, James Jennings, Miles Whitehurst.
Bethel—Whitaker Myers, W. Askew, N. P. Dale.
Bethtehem—A. B. Adkins, A. Bass, Jr.,* John T. Bazemore.
Buckhorn—R. R Savage, J. W. Barnes,* T. E. Vann.*
Capehart's—J. N. Hoggard,* G. W. Cobb, L. Pearce.*
Cashie—M. Gilliam,* B. B. Gilliam, Solomon Cherry.
Cedar Branch—J. E. Hardison, Henry J. Lilly.
Coleraine—John Wilson,* John L. Britton,* Thomas Beasley.*
Chappell's Hill—H. J. Lane, A. P. Chappell, Baker Ward.*
Conaritsa—J. R. Matthews,* A. J. Dunning, J. L. Burden.

Cool Spring—D. E. Riddick,* James M. Parker,* T. B. Story.*
Corinth—Not represented.
Dudley's Grove—J. C. Rogerson, J. H. Lassiter, J. H. Greene.
Ebenezer—W. W. Sawyer, Shad. Brite, Malachi Sawyer.
Edenton—A. D. Cohen, C. G. Manning, J. H. Garret.
Elam—W. T. Kee, J. H. Crocker,* John T. Magee.
Elizabeth City—O. C. Horton, E. Harriss, J. M. Morgan.
Galatia—J. C. Fleetwood,* J. H. Tallow,* I. P. Parker.
Gatesville—T. E Cross, F. Hare, J. H. Hoffler.
Great Hope—D. T. Roberts,* John White,* A. A. Saunders.*
Green's X Roads—Z. W. White, S. S. Mizell, D. S. Simons.*
Hebron—W. T. Liverman,* Moses Futrell,* J. E. Blanchard.*
Harrellsville—N. L. Shaw, G. M. Matthews.
Hertford—T. Harrison,* J. M. Skinner, D. P. Daughtrey.*
Holly Grove—John A. Rayner,* M. J. Rayner,* J. W. Mitchell.
Laurence's X Roads—T. R. Thompson, J. J. Langdale.
Macedonia—W. Leary,* W. H. Morriss,* W. Copeland.*
Mars Hill—B. B. Williams, J. W. Perry,* G. T. Byrum.
Meherrin—J. P. Lee, W. H. Parker,* J. E. Vaughan.*
Middle Swamp—J. W. Morgan, T. T. Speight, F. Matthews.
Mt. Carmel—J. J. Rochelle,* W. J. Maddry,* J. T. Maddry.*
Mt. Pleasant—Jesse Norman,* W. J. Rowe,* Joab Norman.*
Mt. Tabor—W. C. Parker, A. M. Darden, J. E. Newsome.*
Mt. Zion—Thomas Spruill, Wm. R. Spruill, H. B. Lewis.
Murfreesboro—A. McDowell,* J. A. Delke,* W. H. Sears.*
Pleasant Grove—G. C. Moore,* W. C. Dunning, Wiley Dunning.
Piney Grove—T. W. Babb, M. W. Howell, J. S. Long.
Plymouth—W. L. Maget, D. Gilliland,* Amos Bateman.*
Potecasi—D. M. Beale,* H. H. Cooke,* A. E. Peele.*
Powell's Point—A. J. Etheridge, H. G. Peed.
Providence—Dr. J. J. Baxter.
Ramoth Gilead—J. S. Jones, James Warren, J. R. Etheridge.
Rehoboth—D. Sanderlin, N. W. Gregory, W. Sawyer.
Republican—J. Bunch,* B. F. Barber, W H. Bunch.*
Roanoke Island—W. M. Hayes, A. Ashby, John Berry.
Robert's Chapel—James H. Edwards,* S. K. Edwards, T. A. Brett.
Rocky Hock—R. R. Felton, Edward Byrum, J. T. Llewellyn.
Ross Church—Z. Perry, Joseph Berry,* W. W. Hughes.*
Salem—M. W. Davis * W. P. Jordan, S. J. Halstead.
Sandy Cross—E. D. Russell, N. Riddick, Joseph Riddick.
Sandy Run—Not represented.
Sawyer's Creek—R. R. Overby, H. W. Scott, M. R Gregory.
Shady Grove—T. M. Baxter, D. West, James Garret.*
Sharon—T. Swain, A. Parisher
Shiloh—Wells Briggs, Luke Stephens, N. C. Burgess.
Sound Side—James E. Graves, I. Cooper, E. Hopkins.
Warwick—E. Bunch,* Alexander Ellis, A. J. Ward.*
Weldon—Not represented.
Whiteville Grove—W. C. Simpson, T. S. White, R. W. Simpson.
White Oak—B. F. Barber, Nazarth Davis.
Winton—W. P. Taylor, L. S. Davis,* J. S. Shaw.*
Woodville—J. B. Carter,* E. R. Wheebee.*
Yoppim—A. Bonner, J. T. Waff,* W. B. Felton.*

*Absent.

11. The Association having been organized, it proceeded to the election of officers, resulting as follows: Elder R. R. Overby, Moderator; W. C. Parker, Clerk; W. W. Mitchell, Treasurer.

12. The Committee on Religious Exercises announced that Elder Vernon I'Anson would preach at the stand at 3 o'clock.

13. Brother N. L. Shaw presented an application from a new church at Harrellsville, for admission into this body, which application, upon motion of Elder Babb, was referred to a committee, consisting of Elders Cohen, Babb, Williams and Savage.

14. The Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren, and to messengers from corresponding bodies, to seats with us, which was accepted by the following brethren: Elder T. H. Pritchard, D. D., Central Association; Elder C. P. Taylor, Wake Forest College; Elder C. T. Bailey, editor *Biblical Recorder;* Elders A. Speight, W. D. Pritchard and J. M. C. Luke, Portsmouth, (Va.) Association; Elder J. B. Richardson, Corresponding Secretary North Carolina State Convention; Elder E. Dodson, Agent for Domestic and Indian Missions; Elder Vernon I'Anson, from Virginia.

15. Elder A. D. Cohen submitted the following:

The Committee appointed to examine into the orthodoxy of the church at Harrellsville, applying for admission into this body, would report favorably, and recommend her reception.

On motion, the report was received, and the right hand of fellowship extended to its representatives by the Moderator.

16. The Moderator appointed the following committee to select time, place and preachers for the next session of this Association, viz: J. W. Mitchell, Luke Stephens and J. H. Hofler.

17. Elder Babb moved that Elders Cohen, Williams and Lee be appointed to draft an order of business.

The motion did not prevail.

18. On motion of Elder Williams, the order of business of last year was adopted for the present session.

19. The Clerk read the following

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE:

A gratifying degree of prosperity has marked the progress of the school during the year.

No case of deaths, or serious illness having occurred.

The number of pupils matriculated during this year is 112.

The number in attendance from a distance is larger than usual, and enquiries by correspondence indicate encouraging prospects for the future.

Since your last meeting the Lord has blessed us with an outpouring of

His spirit, and twenty-six have professed faith in Christ, and have been added to His church.

The senior class is unusually large and well advanced—a cheering indication.

The punctual attendance and earnest labors of an increased corps of teachers have secured commendable attention and progress on the part of the students.

The financial condition is hopeful, though not entirely exempt from the depressing influences that have attended business generally throughout the country. While collections from present patrons have been as good as usual, large balances due at the close of the previous year and still unpaid, have slightly embarrassed the institution by preventing expenditures on outward improvements, which good taste and wise policy alike demand. J. A. DELKE, Chairman.

After addresses by Dr. Pritchard, Elders Dodson, Richardson, Bailey, Professor Taylor, Elders I'Anson and Savage the report was adopted.

20. After assigning homes to the delegates, on motion, the Association adjourned till 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning. Benediction by the Moderator.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 17th, 1876.

21. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Hymn, "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood." Prayer by Elder J. P. Lee. The roll was called and corrected by the Clerk.

22. A letter was read from the church at Roanoke Island, stating that they had no pastor, and asking the Association to send them a presbytery to ordain one of their members, who was a licentiate. The letter, on motion, was referred to a committee consisting (by appointment of the Moderator) of Elders Savage, Williams and brother Luke Stephens.

23. Elder Savage submitted the following

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE:

Temperance is one of the cardinal virtues of the christian religion, and should be cultivated by all church-members and churches, both on account of the blessings resulting from its practice, and because of the evils flowing from its opposite vice—intemperance.

We would recommend to the churches a prayerful and earnest practice of this virtue, and a careful effort to shun the very "appearance" of its opposite vice. R. R. SAVAGE, Chairman.

The report was discussed by Elders Savage, Williams and Dodson, and adopted.

24. The Report on Periodicals being called for, brother N. L. Shaw offered the following:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We live in a progressive age. We occupy an entirely different place from that occupied by our fathers. The researches of science, the developments of art, for over the last two decades, are wonderful. The thoughts and incidents of the hour are, at their very conception, transmitted from one continent to the other. Our people are a reading people. Newspapers have become a necessity to every household. The various professions and avocations of life eagerly pant for and demand the news of the day.

Newspapers of some kind will be had; the times demand them, and it is to be regretted that there is a desire for worthless, frequently indecent sentimentalism to the rejection of a higher order of moral and religious literature. Religion, the greatest of all blessings, both temporal and eternal, cannot afford to be behind, but must keep pace with the world, in order to successfully meet and combat satan.

The Baptists are a peculiar people—the most democratic in their government and usages of all other denominations; and to be successful, to meet the requirements of our holy faith, it is essential, yea, actually necessary, that we have a Religious Denominational Organ, and that it be as extensively circulated as possible. We have the organ, the *Biblical Recorder*, the praise of which we cannot too highly extol, a paper suited in every respect to our people as a denomination—it meets the wants of all. The trouble, and great trouble is to get it disseminated, to have it in every Baptist family in the State, to have it read around every fireside.

Why is it, alive as we appear to be as to secular things, that we are so little posted as to our condition and progress as a denomination? Why is it that the *Recorder* has not, within the bounds of this Association, numbering upwards of nine thousand members, five thousand subscribers, instead of the three or four hundred it now has? Have we only the *form* of godliness? Reports avail little. What we want is action, progress, *power*. We want the *Recorder* more extensively circulated; it must be in every Baptist family. It is the best canvassing agent for all the Boards that we can put in the field. Circulate it. Have it in your churches, and they are safe. Your pulpits will be filled every Sabbath by good and well paid pastors; our contributions will be regular and ample. In fine, we shall be a live, active, efficient people—having not only the form, but the *power* of godliness. The question is, will we do it?

We cannot too highly recommend our Sunday School papers—the great boon to the children; the great trainers for the grand drama in which they are so soon to play—*Kind Words*, *Baptist Teacher*, *International Series of Bible Lessons*. None can be spared from the Sabbath School. No more can we live without the inhalation of pure oxygen, than can our Sabbath Schools flourish and bloom without these valuable aids and interesting instructors, and we cheerfully recommend them, and insist that our schools supply themselves liberally with these papers. When this is done, and the *Recorder* is in every household, a new era of religious prosperity and high-toned piety will dawn upon us.

All of which is submitted. N. L. Shaw, Chairman.

In connection with this report addresses were delivered by Elders Bailey, Babb, I'Anson, Luke, Dodson, Pritchard, Cohen, Savage, Lee,

and brethren N. L. Shaw and J. S. Jones. The report was adopted.

25. Elder A. Speight, of Virginia, preached at the stand at 11 o'clock.

26. Brother J. H. Mills, of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, was recognized among visiting brethren, and invited to a seat with us.

27. Elder J. B. Richardson presented the

REPORT ON BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION:

The Baptist State Convention has been in existence for near half a century. It has a noble history. Founded by the wisest and most devoted of our christian ancestors, directed by those whose chiefest glory is in the cross of Christ, supported with the prayers and aid of those who are struggling to bring the kingdoms of this world into subjection to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, its record is bright, good and glorious. Under the guidance and blessings of God, it has done a wonderful work in our State.

Its mission is to preach Christ, to declare His everlasting gospel.

To fulfill more successfully this mission, it has directed its efforts in *four* departments of christian activity:

1. To educate poor young men called of God to preach the gospel. At this time there are fifteen young men at Wake Forest College, under the patronage of the Educational Board.

2. To establish Sabbath Schools in every church, school-house and town in North Carolina. This Board has now one missionary, brother J. K. Howell, who is doing good work in this field of labor.

3. *State Missions* is a work of this Convention. The motto of the State Mission Board is to carry the gospel to every destitute community in North Carolina. It has issued commissions to eleven missionaries this year, and would now grant aid to not less than twenty applications before it, had it the necessary funds. During the past year about eight thousand dollars have been expended by the State and Associational Boards for this work.

4. *Foreign Missions.* During the past year North Carolina has contributed about twenty-seven hundred dollars to this great christian work. Encouraging reports reach us from the foreign field, and we earnestly commend this work to your christian beneficence.

The State Convention begs the united efforts of our whole brotherhood in carrying forward its work, and it is very desirable and highly important that we should give them our hearty co-operation.

R. R. Overby, Chairman.

This report, on motion of brother N. L. Shaw, was laid on the table.

28. On motion, the Association adjourned for one hour and a half.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Wednesday, May, 17th, 1876.

29. On re-assembling, Elder Cohen moved that the Report of the Committee on Baptist State Convention be taken up as follows: 1st. So

much as refers to the education of our young men to preach the gospel. 2d. So much as refers to the establishment of Sabbath Schools. 3d. So much as refers to State Missions. 4th. So much as refers to Foreign Missions. The motion prevailed, and the subject of ministerial education was discussed by Elders Bailey and Williams, who introduced the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, We have learned that the trustees of Wake Forest College propose to press the work of endowment until the Institution be placed beyond danger or want, and

WHEREAS, We believe that the most vital interests of the denomination are involved in the endowment of our College.

Resolved, 1st. That in our opinion the work of endowment should be energetically and persistently pushed throughout the State, until entirely completed.

Resolved, 2d. That we do hereby adopt a Professorship at Wake Forest College, to be called "The Chowan Chair," and that we assume the endowment of said Chair.

Resolved, 3d. That a Committee of nine be appointed whose duty it shall be to supervise the endowment of the Chowan Chair, and that this Committee be authorized to employ such ways and means as shall, in their judgment, be best adapted to secure this end,

These resolutions, after an interesting discussion, participated in by Elders Cohen, Taylor, Dodson, I'Anson, Babb, Dr. Pritchard, the Moderator, and Savage, were adopted.

30. On motion of brother Shaw, the duty of appointing the Committee referred to in the third resolution devolved upon the Moderator. R. R. Savage, B. B. Williams, N. L. Shaw, A. D. Cohen, T. W. Babb, Whitaker Myers, O. C. Horton, M. R. Gregory and J. R. Etheridge were appointed.

31. On motion of Elder Cohen, the Moderator was added to the Committee.

32. On motion of Elder Cohen a Committee was appointed to solicit, from the congregation, contributions for the Education Board. Cohen, Mills, Mark Gregory and Williams were appointed. Amount collected, $33 09.

33. On motion, so much of the Report on Baptist State Convention as refers to ministerial education was adopted, and the remainder of the Report was laid on the table until to-morrow morning.

34. A partial report of the Committee on Statistics of Benevolence was submitted, and laid on the table until to-morrow morning. (For full report see appendix C.)

35. On motion, it was ordered that Foreign Missions be made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, and State Missions at 11 o'clock.

36. The Committee appointed to select time, place and preachers for next Association, submitted the following:

Time—Tuesday before third Sunday in May, 1877.
Place—Ahoskie, Hertford county.
To preach Introductory Sermon—O. C. Horton; Alternate, T. Harrison.
Conventional Sermon—A. D. Cohen; Alternate, T. W. Babb.

J. W. Mitchell,
Luke Stephens, Committee.
J. H. Hofler,

On motion of Elder Cohen, the report was laid on the table.

37. On motion, the Association adjourned till 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder W. D. Pritchard.

Preaching at the stand at 3 o'clock, by Elder Thomas G. Wood.

MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, May 18th, 1876.

38. The Moderator called the Association to order at 9½ o'clock. Hymn, "Come Thou Fount of every Blessing." Prayer by Elder T. Speight.

39. On motion, the report of the Committee on time and place of next session, submitted yesterday, was taken up. Elder Cohen moved that "Tuesday" before 3d Sunday be stricken out, and that Thursday be inserted instead. This amendment was advocated by Elder Cohen, Dr. Pritchard, Elder Speight, and opposed by Elder Williams; and was amended by substituting Tuesday before the 4th Sunday. This amendment was carried without discussion, and the report thus amended was adopted.

40. Elder Savage moved that a Committee be appointed to report on Domestic and Indian Missions during our present session. The motion prevailed. Elder Savage, brethren Shaw and T. T. Speight, by appointment of the Moderator, constituted the Committee.

41. Elder Williams moved that the Chair appoint a Committee, to report at our next session, on the propriety of dividing this Association. The motion was lost.

42. The hour having arrived for the consideration of so much of the Report on Baptist State Convention as refers to Foreign Missions, the Association was addressed on this subject by Dr. Pritchard, and that part of the report was adopted.

43. The Moderator announced that the hour had arrived for the consideration of State Missions. The Association was entertained with speeches on this subject by Elders Babb, Richardson and Dodson, and this part of the Report on Baptist State Convention was adopted.

44. The Association suspended business to hear the Conventional Sermon, which was preached by Elder Savage, from 2d Cor. 8 : 7.

45. Brethren Etheridge, Jones, Warren and Kellinger were appointed a Committee to take up a collection after the sermon, which amounted to $35 62, and was ordered to be appropriated to the various Boards of the Convention.

Elder Tuttle preached at the stand at 11 o'clock.

46. On motion, the Association adjourned one hour for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 18th, 1876.

47. The Association re-assembled at 2½ o'clock. Hymn, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord."

48. Elder Cohen submitted the following resolutions:

1. That the thanks of this body be returned to this church for their kindly welcome extended to the delegates and visitors.
2. That the thanks of this Association be presented to our Methodist brethren for the hospitality so generally and cheerfully bestowed.
3. That our thanks are due to the steamboat and railroad companies for their kindness in passing our delegates and visitors to and from this session at reduced rates.

The resolutions were adopted.

49. Brother J. H. Garret introduced the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due to R. B. Creecy, editor of the *Economist*, for reporting its proceedings in his paper.

Adopted.

50. The Committee to whom the letter from the church at Roanoke Island was referred, made the following report, viz:

In answer to the request made in their letter, that this Association send a presbytery to ordain a pastor in their midst, we suggest that the church at Roanoke Island is competent to call a presbytery for this purpose, and that they are the only properly authorized body to do so.

R. R. SAVAGE, Chairman.

The report was received.

51. The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

By balance on hand last report		$105 44
By present contributions		141 37
		$246 81
To amount paid for printing Minutes of 1875	$120 00	
To amount paid for transcribing " "	25 00	$145 00
Balance on hand		$101 81

J. W. Mitchell,
B. B. Gilliam, Committee.
J. S. Jones,

The report was adopted.

52. Brother Shaw introduced the following resolution;

That the Association appoint a Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to take into consideration the expediency of extending the time of our session one day, and report at the next session of this body, and should this Committee decide to extend the time, that the change commence from said session.

The resolution was adopted, and brethren J. W. Mitchell, W. P. Taylor and N. L. Shaw were appointed on the Committee.

53. On motion, so much of the Report on Baptist State Convention as relates to Sabbath Schools was taken up. Brother J. S. Mitchell submitted the following synopsis of Sabbath School statistics:

In 1875,	number of churches	64	number Sabbath schools	58	
1876,	" "	65	" "	73	
1875,	" officers and teachers	371	" scholars	2,513	
1876,	" "	598	" "	3,511	
1875,	contributions	$329 88	" conversions	160	
1876,	"	$500 62	" "	211	
1875,	number *Kind Words* taken	651	" Baptist teachers taken	42	
1876,	" "	518	" "	56	
1875,	" other papers taken	210	total number papers	833	
1876,	" "	132	" "	706	
1875,	" churches without schools,	18	number schools open 12 months,	12	
1876,	" "	12	" " "	20	

(For full Statistical report see appendix B.)

In connection with this subject the Association was addressed by brethren J. S. Mitchell, J. H. Garret, Cohen, E. Dodson, T'Anson, Griffin, Jennings and Rev. W. D. Pritchard, and this part of the Report on Baptist State Convention was adopted.

54. The Moderator announced the following Standing Committee:

C. B. F. Institute—R. R. Savage, J. S. Mitchell, N. L. Shaw.
Baptist State Convention—A. D. Cohen, J. H. Garrett, C. G. Manning.
Periodicals—Thos. G. Wood, A. B. Adkins, W. P. Taylor.
Temperance—T. Harrison, D. P. Daughtrey, Wilson Fleetwood.

MESSENGERS TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

To Eastern Association—W. L. Maget. A. D. Cohen, J. A. Delke, T. Harrison.

To Portsmouth (Va.) Association—R. R. Savage, W. Askew, J. P. Lee, T. T. Speight.

Baptist State Convention—All the ordained ministers of this Association.

55. On motion of brother Shaw, it was ordered that the Clerk have only as many copies of the minutes printed as there were funds in hand to pay for.

56. The Clerk read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS:

This department of mercy was organized in 1845. It embraces the destitution of the South and of the Indian Territories. In thirty-odd years about 3,500 have been brought to Christ, and into the church, by its missionaries.

The necessity for its existence is greater, as the tide of population is flowing in from all quarters, and our members in many places so few and feeble. It is an auxiliary to State Boards as to towns. Most of the towns of North Carolina have been helped by it. Without its assistance they might have been thrown behindhand nearly half a century. A great many towns in the South have received its help. There is frequently a prejudice in a country near a town against a church in town, which prevents assistance even when a town is surrounded by a large Association. Christ and the apostles *generally* preached in towns. Except the epistles to individuals and to persons scattered, all the epistles besides the Epistle to the Galatians, were written to town churches. This Board has helped towns and countries.

R. R. SAVAGE, Chairman.

Elder Dodson addressed the Association on this subject, and the report was adopted.

57. The business of the session being completed, the proceedings were read, and, on motion, the Association adjourned.

58. The hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds," was sung. Prayer was offered by Dr. Pritchard, and the Moderator declared the body adjourned.

R. R. OVERBY, Moderator.

W. C. PARKER, Clerk.

CHURCH STATISTICS—A.

Number.	CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION.	SABBATHS OF PREACHING.	Additions.			Diminutions.			White Males.	White Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	TOTAL.	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND THEIR P. O.
				Baptisms.	Letters.	Restoration	Letters.	Exclusion.	Deaths.							
1	Ahoskie	Hertford, 1812	4th,	9	2	7	12	8	6	133	202	335	....	335	R R Savage	W W Mitchell, Winton.
2	Ballard's Bridge	Chowan, 1781	2d,	....	4	3	6	6	4	169	322	491	19	510	West Leary	Edward Pearce, Edenton.
3	Berea	Pasquotank, 1856	2d,	....	1	....	4	4	83	138	221	....	221	J M C Luke	Miles Whitehurst, E'beth City	
4	Bethel	Perquimans, 1806,	2d,	9	2	3	7	5	6	82	184	266	....	266	B B Williams	J W Trotman, Hertford.
5	Bethlehem	Hertford, 1835	3d,	10	3	..	13	4	2	76	131	207	4	211	J N Hoggard	A B Adkins, Pitch Landing
6	Buckhorn	Hertford, 1835	2d & 4th,	14	....	..	3	1	1	39	85	124	7	131	R R Savage	T E Vann, Reidicksville.
7	Capehart's	Bertie, 1824	1st & 2d,	1	....	3	14	1	3	122	169	291	6	297	Thos Hoggard	G W Cobb, Windsor.
8	Cashie	Bertie, 1790	1st & 3d,	25	8	..	10	3	5	85	144	229	15	244	A D Cohen	A J Cobb Windsor.
9	Cedar Branch	Martin, 1869	1st,	10	....	1	2	5	2	13	39	52	....	52	B F Barber	Jno F. Hardison, Jamesville.
10	Colerain	Bertie, 1789	3d,	22	9	1	45	3	4	98	218	316	2	318	B B Williams	Dr W B Watford, Coleraine.
11	Chappell's Hill	Perquimans, 1869,	4th,	14	7	1	.	1	3	21	37	58	1	59	W Askew	H. H. Lane, Belvidere.
12	Connaritsa	Bertie, 1798	3d,	25	9	2	7	1	3	100	182	282	2	284	J Bunch	A J Dunning, Winton.
13	Cool Spring	Gates, 1826	1st,	2	2	..	4	8	....	65	162	227	....	227	J P Lee	M L Greene, Gatlington.
14	Corinth	Northampton, 1859	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	.	....	....	.....	Not represented.
15	Dudley's Grove	Hertford, 1872	2d,	14	5	2	1	4	2	43	55	98	....	98	H B Parker	J O Harrington, Winton.
16	Ebenezar	Camden, 1829	2d & 4th,	3	8	3	...	1	1	33	52	85	....	85	R R Overby	J A Spencer, South Mills.
17	Edenton	Chowan, 1816	2d & 4th,	18	3	2	5	8	1	41	95	136	....	136	A D Cohen	T M Small, Edenton.
18	Elam	Northampton, 1844	1st,	48	2	2	....	....	2	48	90	138	....	138	V I'Anson	Joseph Barham, Garysburg.
19	Elizabeth City	Pasquotank, 1786	1st & 3d,	39	5	5	6	2	5	67	179	246	....	246	None	John S Waugh, E'beth City.
20	Galatia	Northampton, 1859	2d,	5	2	1	6	1	2	61	79	140	1	141	W L Maget	I P Parker, Margarettsville.
21	Gatesville	Gates, 1854	3d,	28	4	..	....	....	3	50	43	93	....	93	J P Lee	J H Hofler, Gatesville.
22	Great Hope	Perquimans, 1869,	1st,	16	6	2	12	6	....	30	35	65	....	65	D J Roberts	L W Parker, Small's X Roads
23	Green's X Roads	Bertie, 1874	3d,	20	7	..	....	....	2	38	51	89	..	89	Jos W White	Z W White, Windsor.
24	Harrellsville	Hertford, 1875	3d,	....	16	..	....	....	....	....	....	37	....	37	Thos G Wood	J P Howell, Harrellsville.
25	Hebron	Northampton, 1856	3d,	36	3	..	7	6	3	73	80	153	...	153	H B Parker	Jos E Blanchard, Woodland.
26	Hertford	Perquimans, 1854,	1st,	6	7	1	2	1	2	20	38	58	1	59	T Harrison	D P Daughtry, Hertford.
27	Holly Grove	Bertie. 1804	1st,	17	2	1	10	3	2	24	58	82	10	92	E Bunch	J W Mitchell, Pitch Landing.
28	Lawrence's X R'ds	Bertie, 1875	1st,	22	12	..	....	....	....	29	23	52	....	52	Edw Pearce	J W Langdale, Sansoucie.
29	Macedonia	Chowan, 1850	3d,	12	1	1	1	....	....	38	38	76	....	76	W Leary.	Wm H Bonner, Edenton.
30	Mars Hill	Bertie, 1854	4th,	....	1	1	6	2	3	58	69	127	....	127	J Bunch.	B. F. Williams, Coleraine.

31	Meherrin	Hertford, 1773	1st,	....	6	2	6	4	4	103	164	267	17	284	J N Hoggard	O Parker, Murfreesboro.
32	Middle Swamp	Gates, 1806	2d,	1	2	1	1	2	....	48	59	107	....	107	T W Babb	Wm H Riddick, Gatesville.
33	Mt. Carmel	Northampton, 1823	4th,	16	....	1	....	....	2	73	74	147	1	148	J N Hoggard	Isaac Peele, Jackson.
34	Mt. Pleasant	Washington, 1850,	1st,	6	1	3	....	....	1	24	53	77	....	77	W L Maget	War'n Norman, Scuppernong
35	Mt. Tabor	Hertford, 1839	3d,	...	....	..	3	4	1	69	110	179	8	187	R R Savage	Ths M Parker, Murfreesboro.
36	Mt. Zion	Tyrrell, 1852	3d,	1	....	..	1	....	3	12	22	34	....	34	None	J A Spruill, Fort Landing.
37	Murfreesboro	Hertford, 1842	1st & 2d,	32	3	..	5	....	2	31	76	107	....	107	A McDowell	L T Spiers, Murfreesboro.
38	Piney Grove	Gates, 1827	4th,	2	1	..	1	1	2	48	90	138	2	140	T W Babb	A Edwards, Reynoldson.
39	Pleasant Grove	Hertford, 1837	4th,	....	6	1	2	2	1	52	77	129	....	129	B B Williams	J G Moore, St John's.
40	Plymouth	Washington, 1868,	4th,	5	4	..	2	2	1	15	22	37	....	37	W L Maget	J E Jackson, Plymouth.
41	Potecasi	Northampton, 1808	2d,	35	1	2	1	....	6	104	159	263	12	275	J N Hoggard	H C Edwards, Woodland.
42	Powell's Point	Currituck, 1804	4th,	15	1	..	3	2	1	30	47	77	....	77	H G Peed	Alex Owens, Powell's Point.
43	Providence	Currituck, 1828	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	No Letter.
44	Ramoth Gilead	Pasquotank, 1808	4th,	20	....	2	3	14	1	77	111	188	....	188	R R Overby	J R Etheridge, Rosedale.
45	Rehoboth	Currituck, 1873	2d,	7	3	...	....	....	1	23	40	63	....	63	D Sanderlin	Wiley Mathias, Currituck C H
46	Republican	Bertie, 1834	2d,	1	4	..	6	1	....	88	176	264	9	273	J Bunch	Irvin Pritchard, Windsor.
47	Roanoke Island	Dare, 1808	1st,	1	....	..	1	9	3	34	51	85	.....	85	None	W M Hayes, Manteo.
48	Robert's Chapel	Northompton, 1848	1st,	21	1	1	4	....	1	59	121	180	20	200	R R Savage	Wm Boone, Murfreesboro.
49	Rocky Hock	Chowan, 1835	1st,	1	10	2	8	2	1	110	164	274	8	282	B B Williams	W F Boyce, Edenton.
50	Ross' Church	Bertie, 1804	4th,	....	10	2	2	7	7	137	261	398	2	400	Ths Hoggard	J L White, Windsor.
51	Salem	Pasquotank, 1790	1st,	22	2	3	....	3	2	50	90	140	....	140	W P Jordan	R D Pendleton, E'beth City.
52	Sandy Cross	Gates, 1828	1st,	5	2	..	2	14	1	101	222	323	....	323	T W Babb	J R Kee, Sunsbury.
53	Sandy Run	Bertie, 1750	....	....	4	1	5	4	....	78	162	240	4	244	T J Rooke	John R Powell, Lewiston.
54	Sawyer's Creek	Camden, 1790	2d & 4th,	5	5	8	13	15	2	103	256	359	....	359	O C Horton	T B Boushall, Camden C H.
55	Shady Grove	Currituck, 1822	3d,	2	2	..	4	....	....	25	45	70	....	70	O C Horton	T F Baxter, Currituck C H.
56	Sharon	Tyrrell, 1869	1st,	1	2	....	....	....	....	5	20	25	1	26	None	Austin Parisher, Columbia.
57	Shiloh	Camden, 1757	1st & 3d,	75	7	24	4	6	5	161	261	422	....	422	R R Overby	Dimsey C Burgess, Shiloh.
58	Sound Side	Tyrrell, 1852	2d,	....	....	....	....	....	4	35	70	105	....	105	W P Jordan	War'n Brickhouse, Columbia
59	Warwick	Chowan, 1860	3d,	....	1	..	1	4	2	62	108	170	....	170	E Bunch	Jas E Bunch, Gatesville.
60	Weldon	Halifax, ——	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	Not represented.
61	White Oak	Bertie, 1856	3d.	15	1	2	3	1	2	19	33	52	2	54	B F Barber	F W Ward, Windsor.
62	Whiteville Grove	Perquimans, 1851,	3d,	9	1	..	1	2	1	67	138	205	....	205	T W Babb	W D Riddick, Belvidere.
63	Winton	Hertford, 1874	2d,	20	12	..	2	1	4	47	48	95	....	95	Thos G Wood	J G Joyner, Winton.
64	Woodville	Perquimans, 1873,	2d,	....	4	..	2	....	....	13	11	24	....	24	T Harrison	T A Morgan, Woodville.
65	Yoppim	Chowan, 1775	4th,	16	2	..	4	2	4	76	86	162	8	170	T Harrison	J T Waff, Edenton.
				759	233	98	269	186	136	3718	6425	10180	162	10342		

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS—B.

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Volumes in Library.	No. of Kind Words taken.	No. of Baptist Teachers taken.	Other Papers.	CONTRIBUTIONS S. School Board.	CONTRIBUTIONS Other Objects.	CONTRIBUTIONS TOTAL.	No. months Kept open.
Ahoskie	2	Henry Modlin, James A. Copeland, Winton;	20	10	183	92	7	...	28	....	....	.....	.....	.....	6
Ballard's Bridge	2	Humph'y Griffin, Wardsville; J W Nowell, Small X R'ds	10	6	65	40	12	140	20	....	....	.....	.....	.....	8
Berea	2	James Jennings, Elizabeth City;	16	14	125	100	....	100	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	10
Bethel	3	J W Trotman, G B Fleetwood, J C Cullipher, Hertford	25	20	100	80	4	....	25	....	....	.....	$13 63	$13 63	8
Bethlehem	1	Levi Hoggard, Winton;	12	6	50	33	....	50	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	7
Buckhorn	1	T D Boone, Riddicksville;	12	10	40	35	....	....	10	....	....	.....	.....	.....	6
Capehart's	1	Jos N Thomas, Merry Hill;	7	5	42	31	....	50	18	....	....	.....	.....	.....	7
Cashie	1	D E Tayloe, Windsor;	9	9	30	25	7	50	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	12
Cedar Branch		No school reported;													
Coleraine	3	Statistics not given;													
Chappell's Hill	1	Francis Chappell, Belvidere;	8	6	57	50	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	12
Connaritsa	2	J M Early, Winton; C T Jenkins, Lewiston;	14	10	80	50	10	....	20	....	....	.....	.....	.....	4
Cool Spring	2	M L Gree , Gatlington;	9	7	68	60	....	25	....	8	....	.....	.....	.....	7
Corinth		No report;													
Dudley's Grove	1	R A Cook, Winton;	6	6	40	30	8	40	20	4	2	.....	.....	.....	7
Ebenezar	1	Wm W Sawyer, South Mills;	14	10	85	45	1	140	...	16	....	.....	17 00	17 00	12
Edenton	1	Rev A D Cohen, Edenton:	24	20	85	55	15	190	30	..	25	$18 75	20 00	38 75	12
Elam	1	J T Madge, Pleasant Hill;	8	6	40	20	2	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	8
Elizabeth City	1	John S Waugh, E City;	22	17	130	90	16	350	60	....	20	.....	219 55	219 55	12
Galatia	1	I P Parker, Margarettsville;	6	4	37	21	3	50	....	....	5	.....	7 35	7 35	12
Gatesville	1	Hance Hofner, Gatesville;	8	6	41	35	9	50	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	9
Great Hope	1	Luther W Parker, Small's X Roads;	10	6	40	20	8	120	10	....	....	.....	.....	.....	6
Green's X Roads	1	Z W White, Windsor;	12	8	40	25	...	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	5
Harrellsville	1	N L Shaw, Harrellsville;	5	5	56	40	...	....	20	2	33	.....	.....	.....	12
Hebron		No school report;													
Hertford	1	D P Daughtry, Hertford;	18	12	54	40	3	120	30	....	....	.....	20 00	20 00	12
Holly Grove		No school reported;													
Lawrence's X R'ds	1	Wm H Smithwick, Sansoncie;	14	10	43	35	....	33	....	....	....	.....	8 35	8 35	4
Macedonia	1	Joseph Chaplain, Edenton;	5	4	30	20	7	70	6	....	....	.....	.....	.....	4
Mars Hill	2	H A Hobbs, S M Pearce, Coleraine;	12	8	110	90	....	250	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	7—5

Meherrin	2	D A Best, A P Parker, Murfreesboro;	10	6	80	60	..	....	.	.	..	.....	.....	.....	6
Middle Swamp	2	W H Riddick, S J Rountree, Gatesville;	10	8	80	60	....	....	10	....	....	.....	.....	.....	6
Mt. Carmel	1	R T Stephenson, Seaboard;	6	.....	50	40	....	....	...	....	....	.....	.....	.....	12
Mt. Pleasant	1	F A Spruill, Scuppernong;	7	5	30	20	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	7
Mt Tabor	1	J D Gatling, Murfreesboro;	10	8	50	30	..	180	14	2	....	.....	3 10	3 10	12
Mt. Zion		No school;													
Murfreesboro	2	A McDowell, L. T. Spiers, Murfreesboro;	14	13¾	135	120	31	....	...	....	....	10 00	14 50	24 50	12
Piney Grove	2	T E Waff, Reynoldson; M C Lawrence, Buckland;	12	9	104	74	1	66	30	....	....	.....	.....	.....	12—7
Pleasant Grove	2	I J Snipes, Wiley Dunning, St John's;	....	.....	55	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	6
Plymouth	1	Rev D Gilliland, Plymouth;	8	6	60	40	....	100	....	....	....	.....	5 00	5 00	8
Potecasi	1	John E Maget, Potecasi:	14	8	107	75	13	150	17	....	30	.....	.....	.....	12
Powell's Point	1	Abner Gibson, Powell's Point;	10	9	55	45	6	79	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	6
Providence		No report;													
Ramoth Gilead	1	M W Buffkin, Roselale;	6	4	50	30	6	100	48	...	....	.....	4 25	4 25	12
Rehoboth	1	Bethnal Ballance, Currituck Court-House;	10	6	73	37	....	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	10
Republican	1	Wm H Bunch, Windsor;	5	5	48	32	....	50	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	9
Roanoke Island		No school reported;													
Robert's Chapel	1	Jas H Edwards, Boykin's Depot, Va.;	8	6	35	25	7	40	15	....	16		.....	.....	7
Rocky Hock	1	E Byrum, Edenton;	15	.....	112	75	....	250	20	....	....	12 80	33 59	52 39	12
Ross' Church		No school reported;													
Salem	1	R D Pendleton, Elizabeth City;	12	.....	55	40	8	169	....	....	1	.....	15 75	15 75	12
Sandy Cross		No school reported;													
Sandy Run		No report;													
Sawyer's Creek	1	M R Gregory, Camden Court-House;	20	15	98	60	....	200	....	....	....	30 00	.....	30 00	12
Shady Grove	1	Dennis West, Moyock;	7	5	30	25	....	25	10	....	....	.....	6 00	6 20	9
Sharon	1	A Parisher, Columbia;	4	3	40	36	1	150	10	..	....	.....	.....	.....	6
Shiloh	2	T J Duke, S Leary, Shiloh;	24	20	120	90	10	156	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	12
Sound Side	1	J E Graves, Columbia;	9	9	35	30	....	157	....	....	....	.....	3 00	3 00	8
Warwick	3	J E Bunch, J T Boyce, Gatesville; M V Coffield, Wardvill'	23	23	89	75	....	50	....	16	....	.....	4 00	4 00	9
Weldon		No report;													
Whiteville Grove	2	John Turner, Belvidere; A D White, Winfall;	10	8	90	60	....	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	7
White Oak		No school reported;													
Winton	1	Jas S Mitchell, Winton:	10	7	56	34	10	130	15	5	....	.....	16 00	16 00	12
Woodville	1	J R Blanchard, Woodville;	6	4	12	10	.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	4
Yoppim	2	J T Waff, H Bass, Edenton;	22	15	100	54	6	250	32	3	....	.....	12 00	12 00	12—8
	73		598	427¾	3511	2439	211	4124	518	56	132	71 55	429 07	500 62	

STATISTICS OF BENEVOLENCE—C.

CHURCHES.	White Membership.	White Male Membersh'p.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR.									PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS.						TOTAL.
			State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic and Indian Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W F College	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expenses.	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic and Indian Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	Associational Fund.	
Ahoskie	335	133	$ 15 00	$ 15 00	$ 28 10				$ 200 00	$ 18 00	$ 36 13	$ 8 39	$ 8 38				$ 5 00	$ 334 00
Ballard's Bridge	491	169	15 25	8 20	.....		$ 5 17		125 00	150 00	30 56	.....	.....				5 00	339 18
Berea	221	83	16 00	.....	.....				300 00	3 10	.....	.....	.....				2 25	321 35
Bethel	266	89	23 54	7 00	.....				225 00	21 25	50 00	.....	.....				4 50	331 29
Bethlehem	207	76	8 00	8 00	.....	$10 00	5 24		200 00	146 00	21 40	.....	.....				3 00	491 64
Buckhorn	124	39	30 00	19 00	11 25				130 00	12 00	80 00	7 00	...				2 00	291 25
Capehart's	291	122	2 95	.....	17 70				100 00	20 00	24 50	4 00	4 35				2 50	176 00
Cashie *	229	85	.....	.....	.....				.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				5 00	5 00
Cedar Branch	52	13	.....	.....	.....				100 00	65 00	.....	.....	.....				1 25	167 25
Colerain	316	98	.....	.....	.....				200 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....				2 50	232 50
Chappell's Hill	58	21	.....	2 63	.....		1 00		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				1 00	4 63
Connaritsa	284	100	20 60	20 60	.....				130 00	50 00	25 00	3 50	3 50				5 00	258 20
Cool Spring	227	65	6 30	.....	.....				110 00	1 72	.....	.....	4 80				2 02	124 84
Corinth																		
Dudley's Grove	98	43	.....	.....	.....				90 00	123 00	10 00	26 00	.....				1 50	250 50
Ebenezar	85	33	.....	.....	.....				300 00	.....	.....	.....	.....				2 00	302 00
Elenton	136	41	20 00	.....	.....				346 50	75 00	15 00	.....	.....				2 00	458 50
Elam	138	48	.....	4 70	2 00				250 00	.....	400 00	.....	.....				2 50	659 20
Elizabeth City	246	67	20 00	.....	.....	2 00			520 00	100 00	65 00	.....	.....				2 50	709 50
Galatia	140	61	18 09	3 35	.....				130 00	12 00	7 00	.....	.....		$ 1 61		1 25	173 30
Gatesville	93	50	.....	.....	.....				100 00	20 00	5 00	2 00	2 00		2 00		2 00	133 00
Great Hope	65	30	8 00	5 00	.....				75 00	25 00	5 00	.....	.....				1 00	119 00
Green's X Roads	89	38	.....	.....	.....				40 00	40 00	14 56	.....	2 00				1 00	97 56
Harrellsville	37	...	.....	.....	3 00				100 00	25 00	4 00	.....	.....				1 00	133 00
Hebron	153	73	.....	.....	.....				.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				1 50	1 50
Hertford	58	20	17 55	14 35	18 80		4 00		275 00	144 55	1 00	2 50	6 35	$10 00	6 30	$14 35	1 50	516 25
Holly Grove	82	24	12 15	18 50	.....	18 00			127 00	10 00	28 50	.....	.....				2 00	216 15
Lawrence's X R'ds	52	29	.....	.....	.....				40 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....				1 00	44 00
Macelonia	76	38	13 34	.....	.....				70 00	70 00	.....	.....	.....				1 00	134 34
Mars Hill	127	58	6 52	6 57	.....				125 00	653 00	...	...	.....				2 00	733 09

Meherrin	267	103	21 50	22 63	.....				175 00	20 16	.....		6 50				3 00	248	82
Middle Swamp	107	48	.....	.....	.....				150 00	175 00	30 00						3 00	358	00
Mt. Carmel	147	73	.....	.....	.....				200 00	10 00	12 18	27 72					3 00	252	90
Mt. Pleasant	77	24	.....	.....	.....				100 00	.....	40 75						2 00	142	75
Mt Tabor	179	69	15 00	20 00	12 50				135 00	12 00	25 00	3 00	10 00	3 65		3 09	5 00	244	24
Mt. Zion	34	12	.....	.....	.....				.....	25 00	10 00						1 50	36	50
Murfreesboro	107	31	15 50	131 37	.....	14 10		15 00	250 00	678 00	136 09					10 00	2 50	1,252	47
Piney Grove	138	48	20 00	.....	.....				125 00	10 00	3 10		5 00				3 00	166	10
Pleasant Grove	129	52	.....	.....	7 35				130 00	.....	.....	11 35					4 00	158	70
Plymouth	37	15	.....	10 00	.....				75 00	.....	.....						1 00	86	00
Potecasi	263	104	8 00	8 00	33 57				160 00	40 00	.....						.....	249	57
Powell's Point	77	30	.....	.....	...				75 00	.....	.....						1 00	76	00
Providence																			
Ramoth Gilead	188	77	3 62	.....	.....	6 05			490 00	14 00	.....						3 00	426	67
Rehoboth	63	23	.....	.....	.....				.....	.....	.....						1 00	1	00
Republican	264	88	22 20	.....	12 00				116 00	16 00	.....						3 00	169	20
Roanoke Island	85	34	.....	.....	.....				.....	.....	.....						1 50	1	50
Robert's Chapel	180	59	8 00	6 26	9 00				150 00	20 00	20 00						2 00	215	26
Rocky Hock	274	110	.....	.....	17 57				150 00	25 00	40 50						3 00	236	07
Ross' Church	398	137	.....	7 10	.....				100 00	31 00	.....						3 00	141	10
Salem	140	50	.....	.....	.....				125 00	12 80	1 50						2 50	141	80
Sandy Cross	323	101	.....	.....	.....				200 00	15 00	.....						3 00	218	00
Sandy Run	240	78	.....	.....	.....				200 00	210 00	.....		4 50		4 50		2 00	421	00
Sawyer's Creek	359	103	8 15	19 01	.....	6 85			362 00	24 00	23 20						4 00	447	21
Shady Grove	70	25	3 44	.....	5 00				150 00	.....	.....						1 50	159	94
Sharon	25	5	.....	.....	.....				.....	.....	.....						1 00	1	00
Shiloh	422	161	.....	.....	.....	15 00			250 00	250 00	.....						3 00	518	00
Sound Side	....	....	.....	.....	.....				60 00	.....	5 00						1 50	66	50
Warwick	170	62	1 20	6 35	.....				50 00	12 00	.....						2 10	71	65
Weldon											.....								
Whiteville Grove	205	67	.....	3 10	.....				150 00	20 00	15 00						2 50	190	60
White Oak	52	19	.....	.....	.....				50 00	30 00	1 25						1 50	82	75
Winton	95	47	3 00	5 75	.....				131 00	79 75	.....						2 00	221	50
Woodville	24	13	.....	.....	.....				100 00	.....	.....						1 00	101	00
Yoppim	162	76	25 10	5 00	.....				200 00	25 00	20 00						3 50	278	60
TOTAL,			$107 90	$377 50	$177 84	$72 00	$15 41	$15 00	$8,913 50	$3,573 33	$1,206 09	$95 46	$57 38	$13 65	$14 40	$27 44	$143 37	$ 15,110	42
Amount contributed in cash during the session for various objects																		101	71
																		$15,212	13

*Report misplaced by Committee.

Historical Table of the Chowan Baptist Association—D.

Years.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	CLERKS.	ASSISTANT CLERK.	PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON.	TEXT.	Churches	Baptisms	Total Membership.	Contributions.
1806	Salem	George Outlaw,	Lemuel Burkitt	James Ross,	John Wall,	Luke xxiv:36,	18	55	1,750	£ 12 12s 6d
1807	Cashie	Same,	Same,	Same,	Martin Ross,	1 Cor xiv:40,	19	68	1,947	9 12 6
1808	Yoppim	Same,	Aaron Spivey,	Same,	James Ross,	Songs viii:5,	20	80	1,768	12 16 0
1809	Sandy Run	Same,	John Hamilton	James Wright,	James Nowell,	I Cor xii:13,	21	62	1,780	12 5 0
1810	Camden M. H.	Same,	Aaron Spivey.	Wm. Dossey,	Aaron Spivey,	Hag. i:7,	22	64	1,756	16 0 0
1811	Wiccacon M. H.	Aaron Spivey,	Rd Poindexter,	.....	Rd Poindexter,	Psalms xcii:12,	23	158	1,789	16 0 0
1812	Elizabeth City.	Same.	James Wright,	....	James Wright,	1 Peter xi:7,	23	139	1,253	16 10 0
1813	Meherrin	George Outlaw,	Same,	.....	John Brice,	2 Tim. iv:2,	23	115	1,843	11 12 6
1814	Elenton	Aaron Spivey,	Same,	Wm Spence,	James Wright,	Cant. ii:3,	23	185	1,918	$ 35 00
1815	Outlaw's Chapel,	George Outlaw,	Same,	David Pritchard,	Nath'l Pruden,	Songs ii:10-12,	23	71	1,916	34 50
1816	Ballard's Bridge,	Same,	Same,	John Wheeler,	James Ross,	Nahum i:7,	23	68	1,820	34 50
1817	Potecasi	Same,	Same,	Same,	Martin Ross,	Heb. ii:3,	22	138	2,013	39 00
1818	Sawyer's Creek	Ths Brownrigg	Same,	Thos Meredith,	Luther Rice,	Psalms viii:4.	22	123	1,756	32 00
1819	Cashie	Same,	Thos Meredith,	....	John Rowe,	Isaiah lv:5,	22	70	1,755	45 00
1820	Middle Swamp	Same.	James Wright,	....	Aaron Spivey,	Heb. xii:1-12.	22	75	1,566	36 00
1821	Meherrin	George Outlaw,	Same.	Elder Newbern,	Martin Ross,	Judges viii:4,	22	54	1,745	33 50
1822	Salem	Ths Brownrigg	Same,	Edward Wood,	Aaron Spivey,	Mark xiii:27,	22	55	1,756	32 50
1823	Coleraine	George Outlaw,	Same,	Hardy Cobb,	Martin Ross,	1 Cron. ii:32,	23	227	1,952	39 00
1824	Cowenjock	Same,	Same,	John Peelee,	John Harrell,	Zech. xiii:1,	24	351	2,236	40 00
1825	Sandy Run	Same,	Same.	Simon Turner,	Jere Etheridge,	John vii:56,	25	964	3,134	44 50
1826	Shiloh	Martin Ross,	Same,	James G Hall,	W H Jordan,	1 John i:18,	26	294	3,043	46 50
1827	Potecasi	Same,	Same,	Same	John Harrell,	Mark i:15,	26	32	3,192	40 50
1828	Elizabeth City	James Wright.	James G Hall,	Edmund Hoskins,	James Wright,	Cant. iv:12,	28	246	3,200	47 62
1829	Smith's Church	Same,	Same,	John Peelee,	James Ross,	Rev xxi:24.	29	284	3,381	45 50
1830	Piney Grove	James Ross,	Same,	Same.	Reub Lawrence	Mat. vi:33,	30	110	3,160	46 50
1831	Cashie	Same,	Same,	S J Wheeler, A Spivey,	G M Thomps n	1 Cor. x:4,	32	191	3,282	50 00
1832	Powell's Point	Thos Jordan,	Same,	A Spivey,	Thos Meredith,	Heb. xi:6,	31	414	3.285	47 82
1833	Ahoskie	James Ross,	A J Spivey,	.....	G M Thompson	Isaiah xiii:11,	31	597	3,765	56 00
1834	Salem	John Harrell,	Same,	.....	John Harrell,	Rev. xix:9.	33	190	3,815	53 42
1835	Meherrin	Thos Jordan.	Same,	Wm Darden,	Q H Troman,	1 John iii:2,	34	122	3,664	52 50
1836	Bethel	Isaac Baxter.	John Peele,	James Pruden,	Reub Lawrence	Isaiah lx:1,	38	218	3,294	54 00
1837	Coleraine	Same,	Jas L Grimes,	R B Cobb,	G M Thompson	Heb. xiii:1,	38	111	3,484	51 50
1838	Sawyer's Creek	Same.	S J Wheeler,	....	A M Craig,	John x:24,	38	466	3.828	55 20
1839	Potecasi	Same,	Same,	....	Henry Speight,	Malachi iii:16-17	38	238	3,956	48 50

1840	Ballard's Bridge,	G C Moore,	S J Wheeler,	A W Darden, S T Bond,	Evans Forbes,	Mat. vii:12,	40	392	4,368	56	20
1841	Connaritsa,	Same,	Same,	C Salstonstall, Wm Darden,	R Lawrence,	1 Cor. xv:58,	40	541	4,818	57	50
1842	Shiloh	Same,	Same,	Q H Trotman, Dr Tillybridge,	G M Thompson	Acts iv:13,	42	609	5,140	65	25
1843	Buckhorn	Same,	Same,	S T Bond,	Q H Trotman,	1 Peter i:5	42	1329	5,783	65	50
1844	Yoppim	Same.	Same,	A J Askew, S T Bond,	John Nowell,	Mark iii:35,	42	410	6,485	62	50
1845	Capeheart's	Same,	R B Cobb, *pr tem*	Elder Waff, A W Darden,	Thomas Waff,	Gal. v:25,	42	332	6,433	69	75
1846	Sandy Cross	Same,	S J Wheeler,	A J Askew, S T Bond,	G M Thompson	P'ls cxxxvii:5-6	42	378	6,470	69	75
1847	Mt Tabor	Same,	Same,	S T Bond, W D Pritchard,	D Sanderlin,	Phil. i:8-10	43	591	6,330	1,036	36
1848	Ramoth Gilead	Same,	Same,	.....	J G Barkly,	1. Cor. xv:50,	43	1005	7,755	71	70
1849	Pleasant Grove	Same,	Same,	A J Askew, W D Pritchard,	Q H Trotman,	Mark xvi-15,	45	792	7,901	84	00
1850	Elizabeth City.	Same,	Same,	W D Pritchard, S T Bond,	M R Fory,	1 Cor. iii:12-13,	45	545	7,981	69	75
1851	Bethlehem	Same,	Same,	W D Pritchard, S T Bond,	Aaron Sones,	Col. i:14,	47	644	7,970	90	80
1852	Piney Grove	Same,	Same,	W D Pritchard, J B Morgan,	W P Britton, Jr	1 Cor. ix:13-14,	43	956	9,960	92	50
1853	Meherrin	Same,	Same,	W D Pritchard, G W Johnson,	W M Wingate,	Acts ii:44-46,	43	553	9,031	90	50
1854	Bethel	Same,	Same.	W D Pritchard, T C Skinner,	J B Taylor,	John ix:4,	44	658	8,957	93	00
1855	Cashie	Same,	Same.	A J Askew,	L M Carter,	P'ls cxxxvii:5-6	47	606	10,057	98	00
1856	Sawyer's Creek	Same,	Same,	A J Askew,	J L Pritchard,	Romans iii:21-26	48	542	9,512	92	50
1857	Coleraine	Same,	Same,	S T Bond,	T H Pritchard,	Mat. x:31,	51	1012	9,958	100	00
1858	Great Fork	Same,	Same,	J D Boushall, W W Knight,	Eld Weatherlin	John iii:13-14,	52	515	10,977	102	00
1859	Mt Carmel.	Same,	Same,	A J Askew, W J Freeman,	Q H Trotman,	Mat. xvi:18,	52	871	10,586	99	55
1860	Edenton	Same.	Same,	W D Pritchard, Wm Darden,	W W Kone,	1 Thess. ii:13-15,	52	837	10,817	106	50
1861	Sanoy Run	Same,	Same,	R D Simpson, H C Edwards,	I J Knapp,	Jer. i:17,	53	625	11,054	85	50
1862	Middle Swamp	R B Jones,	John Mitchell,	J D Barnes,	B B Williams,	Heb. v:9,	53	41	11,034	41	00
1863	Mt Tabor	G C Moore,	Same,	J D Barnes, H C Edwards,	R B Jones,	1 John i:7,	52	106	10,669	173	50
1864	Buckhorn	Same,	S J Wheeler,	.....	R R Overby,	Mark xii:34,	52	625	9,436	316	00
1865	Robert's Chapel,	Same,	Same,	.....	R B Jones,	1 Peter i:23,	52	596	10,674	386	30
1866	Ballard's Bridge,	Same,	Same,	W C Parker, A Bass,	John Mitchell,	Romans, iii:21,	53	723	10,525	149	21
1867	Ahoskie	Same,	Same,	W C Parker, A Bass,	R R Overby,	Ex. xiv:14-15,	52	922	10,206	18,154	93
1868	Berea	Same,	Same,	W C Parker, A Bass,	J M C Luke,	Jer. xvii:9,	53	327	10,725	13,925	14
1869	Bethlehem	Same,	W C Parker,	A J Cobb,	J D Hufham,	Mat. viii:11,	56	612	9,705	7,751	85
1870	Hertford	Same,	Same,	A Bass. W H Powell,	John Mitchell,	Acts ix:31,	57	468	9,898	14,102	84
1871	Potecasi	Same,	Same,	A J Cobb, W H Riddick,	T J Knapp,	Josh. xxiii:36,	56	557	9,436	12,589	53
1872	Elizabeth City	Same,	Same,	A J Cobb. L W Babb,	R R Savage,	Romans vii:6,	58	820	10,251	15,002	23
1873	Connaritsa	Same,	Same,	N L Shaw,	T W Babb.	Isaiah lxii:1,	58	421	9,661	15,911	97
1874	Gatesville	Same,	Same,	L D L Parker,	John Mitchell,	John xvi:12-15,	62	435	9,612	21,595	25
1875	Cashie	Same,	N L Shaw, *p.tem*	T E Waff,	A D Cohen,	Romans iii:12-15	64	791	9,964	14,747	08
1876	Ramoth Gilead	R R Overby,	W C Parker,	A M Darden, N L Shaw,	B B Williams,	2 Timothy iii:5.	65	759	10,098	14,791	13

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

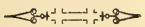
OF THE

Chowan Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Ahoskie, Hertford County, N. C.,

May 22d, 23d, and 24th, 1877.



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2. T. W. BABB,.....Reynoldson, "
3. B. F. BARBER,.....Windsor, "
4. L. C. BRICKHOUSE,.....Columbia, "
5. WELLS BRIGGS,.....Shiloh, "
6. EPHRAIM BUNCH,.....Gatesville, "
7. JEREMIAH BUNCH,.....Windsor, "
8. A. D. COHEN,.....Edenton, "
9. D. V. ETHERIDGE,.....Manteo, "
10. J. C. FLEETWOOD,.....Margarettsville, "
11. DAVID HARRELL,.....Windsor, "
12. T. HARRISON,.....Apex, "
13. J. N. HOGGARD,.....Murfreesboro, "
14. THOS. HOGGARD,.....Coleraine, "
15. O. C. HORTON,.....Elizabeth City, "
16. ED. HOWELL,.....Gatesville, "
17. J. D. HUFHAM,.....Raleigh, "
18. W. P. JORDAN,.....Elizabeth City, "
19. B. F. KING,.....Windsor, "
20. WEST LEARY,.....Edenton, "
21. JOHN P. LEE,.....Murfreesboro, "
22. J. M. C. LUKE,.....Elizabeth City, "
23. W. L. MAGET,.....St. Johns, "
24. A. MCDOWELL,.....Murfreesboro, "
25. M. L. MIZELL,.....Windsor, "
26. R. R. OVERBY,.....Elizabeth City, "
27. H. B. PARKER,.....Murfreesboro, "
28. EDWARD PEARCE,.....Merry Hill, "
29. D. J. ROBERTS,.....Hertford, "
30. J. J. ROCHELLE,.....Jackson, "
31. D. SANDERLIN,.....Woodville, "
32. Q. T. SIMPSON,.....Elizabeth City, "
33. R. R. SAVAGE,.....Murfreesboro, "
34. J. W. WHITE,.....Merry Hill, "
35. B. B. WILLIAMS,.....Coleraine, "
36. THOS. G. WOOD,.....Harrellsville, "

PROCEEDINGS.

AHOSKIE, HERTFORD CO., N. C.
TUESDAY, May 22nd, 1877.

1. The Chowan Baptist Association meets in its Seventy-Second Annual Session, this day, with Ahoskie Church, in Hertford County, N. C.

2. The Introductory Sermon is preached by Elder O. C. Horton, from Col. 3 : 11.

3. After the Sermon the Association takes a recess of one hour and a half

AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, May 22d, 1877.

4. On re-assembling, Elder R. R. Overby, Moderator of last session, reads 1st John. Hymn, "Old, Old Story." Prayer by Elder J. D. Hufham.

5. The Moderator announces the following Committees:

On Sabbath School Statistics:—J. A. Delke, W. P. Taylor, Ed. Pearce.

On Statistics of Benevolence:—J. S. Mitchell, J. F. Newsome, J. G. Moore.

On Finance:—T. B. Boushall, H. W. Scott, Moses Gillam.

6. Brother T. D. Boone is appointed Assistant Clerk.

7. The Pastor and Deacons of this Church constitute a Committee on Religious Exercises.

8. Elder J. A. Speight preaches in the grove at 3 P. M.

9. Delegates from the Churches are enrolled as follows:

Ahoskie.—W. W. Mitchell, J. P. Freeman, Henry Modlin.
Ballard's Bridge.—John W. Nowell, John M. Forehand, Ed. Pearce.
Berea.—H. C. Halstead, Sam'l Davis, Kader Perry.
Bethel.—W. Myers, N. P. Dail, J. W. Trotman.
Bethlehem.—R. P. Thomas, John T. Bazemore, A. Bass.
Buckhorn.—T. E. Vann, T. D. Boone, Eld. R. R. Savage.
Capehart's.—Eld. J. N. Hoggard, G. W. Cobb, J. L. Bowen.
Cashie.—Moses Gillam, D. E. Tayloe * B. B. Gillam.
Cedar Branch.—A. L. Mizell, Wm. L. Sexton.
Coleraine.—John Wilson, Thomas Beasley, Jos. W. Beasley.

Chappell's Hill.—Baker Ward, H. H. Lane.
Connaritsa.—Jesse R. Matthews, W. G. Burdin, A. J. Dunning.
Cool Spring.—Jas B. Harrell, William B. Parker, D. E. Riddick.*
Corinth.—A. Vann, T. P. Bowers,* S. C. Forest.
Dudley's Grove.—R. A. Cook, James O. Harrington.*
Ebenezer.—D. T. Pritchard,* J. A. Spencer, * S. Brett.*
Edenton.—Eld. A. D. Cohen, * J. H. Garrett.
Elam.—William T. Kee, Jas. H. Crocker, * J. Magee.
Elizabeth City.—J. S. Waugh, F. F. Cohoon, Sam'l Modlin.
Galatia.—Eld. J. C. Fleetwood, K. Davis, I. P. Parker.
Gatesville.—G. W. Parker, T. E. Cross, L. D. L. Parker.
Great Hope.—L. W. Parker,* John White, Willis Lane.
Green's X Roads.—Z. W. White, W. T. White, * W. H. Pearce.
Hebron.—Wm. T. Liverman, J. D. Gatling, Morris Futrell.
Harrellsville.—N. L. Shaw, Jas P. Howell, Jas. M. Powell.
Hertford.—Eld. T. Harrison, D. P. Daughtrey, Josiah Elliott.
Holly Grove.—M. J. Rayner, John A. Rayner, J. W. Mitchell.
Lawrence's X Roads.—Wm. E. Culipher, W. T. Phelps, A. Bass.
Macedonia.—Eld. W. Leary, J. C. Leary, * Robt. P. Morris.
Mars Hill.—Eld. B. B. Williams, John H. Perry, A. Nowell.
Meherrin.—Elijah Vaughan, Wm. H. Parker, Benj. F. Barham.
Middle Swamp.—W. Riddick, J. W. Morgan, T. T. Speight.
Mt. Carmel —L. B. Stephenson, C. L. N. Stephenson.
Mt. Pleasant.—W. L. Smith, * T. B. Bateman, * Joab Norman.*
Mt. Tabor.—W. C. Parker, John F. Newsome, A. M. Darden.
Murfreesboro.—Eld. A. McDowell, J. A. Delke,
Pleasant Grove.—G. C. Moore, Langley Taylor, Wiley Dunning.
Piny Grove.—Eld. T. W. Babb, G. R. Eure, J. J. Waff.
Plymouth.—R. T. Phelps, J. W. Trevathan, Chas. Trevathan.
Potecasi.—D. M. Beale, H. H. Cooke, A. E. Peele.
Powell's Point.—H. G. Peed, * Benj. Gallop. *
Ramoth Gilead.—J. S. Jones, Henry Hewett, J. R. Etheridge.
Republican.—Eld. Jere. Bunch, Eld. B. F. Barber, Wm. H. Bunch.
Roanoke Island.—Geo. Wescott.* A. Twine,* John Berry.
Robert's Chapel.—Jas. H. Edwards, Willie P. Sykes, D. N. Stephenson.
Rocky Hock.—Edwin Byrum, W. J. Webb, John C. Finch. *
Ross' Church.—M. J. Mizelle, K. White, W. C. Overton.
Salem.—Eld. W. P. Jordan, Barnard Berry, M. W. Davis.
Sandy Cross.—W. H. Manning, * T. J. Riddick, Riddick Hofler.*
Sandy Run.—John W. Brown, John C. Tynes, A. T. Liverman.
Sawyer's Creek.—Eld. R. R. Overby, H. W. Scott, T. S. Berry.
Shady Grove.—Grandy Dozier,* David Lee.*
Sharon.—Eld. L. C. Brickhouse. J. A. Swain,* J. W. Reynolds.*
Shiloh.—Eld. Wells Briggs, * Luke Stephens,* A. W. Burfoot.
Sound Side.—H. T. Brickhouse, Warren Brickhouse.*
Warwick.—Eld. Ephraim Bunch, Alexander Ellis, John T. Boyce.
Whiteville Grove.—John D. Parker, Trim S. White, J. W. Nowell.
White Oak.—Eld. B. F. Barber, Jesse Hoggard.
Winton.—W. P. Taylor, John A. Vann, A. C. Vann.
Yoppim.—A. Bonner, H. Bass, W. B. Felton.*

10. The delegates being enrolled, the Association proceeds to complete its organization by the election of Dr. G. C. Moore, Moderator; W. C. Parker, Clerk; W. W. Mitchell, Treasurer.

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* Absent.

11. The Moderator extends a welcome to visiting brethren and to messengers from corresponding bodies: Seats are accepted by Elder J. A. Speight, Brethren J. T. Vaughan and G. S. Jennings, from Portsmouth Va., Association; Brother Noah Brigg, from Tar River Association; Prof. L. R. Mills, Wake Forest College, Central Association; Elder J. B. Richardson, Cor. Sec. Baptist State Convention; Elder T. J. Rook, South Yadkin Association; Elder C. T. Bailey, Editor *Biblical Recorder* and Brother W. H. Morris, from Norfolk, Va.

12. Bro. Shaw submits the following:

We, your Committee appointed at the last session of your body to take into consideration the expediency of extending the time of our session one day, and report at this session, beg leave to report, that everything properly considered, it would be unwise to change, and that no change be made.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

N. L. SHAW,
J. W. MITCHELL,
W. P. TAYLOR,
Committee.

The report is advocated by Dr. McDowell, and adopted.

13. The Moderator announces the following Committee on Time and Place of next Session, and Preachers of Introductory and Conventional Sermons, viz: D. P. Daughtry, T. B. Boushall and H. W. Scott.

14. On motion of Elder Hufham, the courtesies of the body are extended to Mr. R. B. Creecy, Editor of *Elizabeth City Economist*, and to Mr. T. B. Garner, Editor of *Albemarle Times.*

15. Brother N. L. Shaw states that reports, unfavorable to the reputation of Elder D. V. Etheridge as a minister, are in circulation, and moves that a Committee be appointed to inquire into the truthfulness of these reports, and if found to be correct, that his name be dropped from the list of ministers.

Elder Overby moves to amend, thus: That the name of Elder D. V. Etheridge be stricken from the list of ministers without the appointment of a Committee.

This motion is discussed by Brethren Hufham, Leary, Garrett, Pearce, Jordan, Overby, Harrison, and

McDowell, who offers the following amendment: That these reports be referred to the Church of which Elder Etheridge is a member, and that they be requested to inquire into their truthfulness.

This amendment, after discussion by Elders Huf ham and Luke, is adopted.

16. Elder Overby moves that the name of Elder D. V. Etheridge be suspended from the list of ministers in our minutes until the church of which he is a member decides as to the truthfulness of the reports in circulation concerning him. This motion is laid on the table.

17. Prof. Delke announces that he is agent for the *Orphans' Friend,* a paper published for the aid of the Orphans at Oxford

18. Bro. Shaw submits the following:

Resolved, That the sessions of the present body begin at 9½ A. M; continue till 12½ P. M.; meet again at 2, and continue in session till 5 P. M.

Adopted.

19. On motion, the Association adjourns till 9½ A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by Elder J. B. Richardson.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 23rd, 1877.

20. The Association meets pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder Rockwell.

21. Bro. W. D. Bradshaw, from Portsmouth Association, and Elder R. C. Rockwell, from Central Association, are welcomed to seats.

22. Elder Overby moves to take up the motion to suspend the name of Elder D. V. Etheridge from the list of ministers, laid on the table yesterday.

After discussion by Brother Moses Gillam, the motion is withdrawn.

23. Elder J. D. Hufham preaches in the grove at 10 A. M.

24. Elder R. R. Savage reads the

REPORT ON C. B. F. INSTITUTE.

Though the number of pupils in attendance during the present session has been some smaller than usual, due entirely, as we suppose, to the scarcity of money in the localities from which the Institute draws much of its patronage, the Institute has lacked none of the other elements of success. A full corps of able and efficient teachers have been constantly at their post in the faithful discharge of their duties. In the good providence of God, teachers and pupils have enjoyed almost uninterrupted health; little time has, therefore, been lost from study.

Payments have been unusually prompt, and the Institution has been able, thus far, to meet all its pecuniary obligations.

R. R. SAVAGE, *Ch'm'n.*

In connection with this subject the Association is addressed by Elders Hufham, McDowell, Savage, Bailey, brethren Delke and M. Gillam. The report is adopted.

25. Elder Thos. G. Wood presents the following:

REORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee beg leave to report that in their estimation the subject of Periodicals is one of vital importance to the members of our churches, and sustains an intimate relation to the future prosperity of our denomination.

The Press is second only to the Pulpit in power and influence, and as a vehicle for scattering knowledge broadcast among the masses is, perhaps, the most efficient of all agencies.

Our country churches stand in special need of sound denominational literature. The system of "Ecclesiastical Polygamy" obtaining among them, renders it impossible for the pastor to acquaint his people with many things that are important for them to know. To supply this deficiency, the literature of our denomination affords the readiest and most available means. It is the bounden duty of church members to supply themselves with this literature, and thus become intimately acquainted with the facts and subjects of which it treats.

We would therefore urge that every possible effort be made to disseminate a *pure* literature among our people; and feel safe in commending to every family the *Biblical Recorder*, our own State paper, as a sound exponent and faithful advocate of our doctrines. Pastors should strive to place it in every family connected with their fields of labor.

We would also urge that efforts be made in every church to secure subscribers to the Foreign Mission Journal, the organ of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

For Sunday Schools we would recommend *Kind Words* and the *Baptist Teacher*.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. G. WOOD,
A. B. ADKINS,
W. P. TAYLOR,
Committee.

This report is discussed by Prof. Mills, Brother Gillam, Elders Speight, Richardson, Vann, Hufham and Bailey.

The *Orphans' Friend*, published at Oxford, in the interest of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, is, at the suggestion of Prof. Delke, included among the papers recommended.

The report, thus amended, was adopted.

26. The hour for adjournment having arrived, the Association takes a recess of one hour and a half.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 23rd, 1877.

27. The Moderator calls the Association to order at 2 o'clock.

28. Rev. R. H. Crook, of the Methodist Church, is invited to a seat with us.

29. Elder Williams moves that Elder Rockwell be allowed to present the claims of the American Bible Union Society.

Elder Huf ham opposes the motion and it does not prevail.

30. Elder T. W. Babb offers the following:

Whereas, We feel a greater care upon the part of our churches in the matter of ordaining men to the ministry to be a great necessity, we would move that a committee of six be appointed, three on the east, and three on the west of the Chowan River, from which committee the churches of this Association be requested to select the presbytery in every case of ministerial ordination.

The motion is discussed by Elders Babb, Overby, McDowell, Huf ham and Williams.

Elder Savage offers the following amendment:

That the churches be more careful in the ordination of men to the ministry.

The amendment is opposed by Elder Williams and Prof. Delke, and, together with the original motion, is voted down.

31. Brother J. H. Garrett submits the roport on

N. C. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

This organization may, to a very great extent, be considered the offspring of the Chowan Association. In 1826 a committee was appointed to correspond with the various associations and ministers in the State relative to its organization. Several preliminary meetings were held within our jurisdiction. The organization was perfected in 1829, and in the minutes of the session of this association, held with the church at Piney Grove in 1830, we find the following:

Resolved, That this Association cordially approve of the formation of the Baptist State Convention recently organized at Greenville, and zealously patronize its objects.

In its formation we were ably represented, and the advancement of its interests has ever claimed our attention.

This Convention was formed to secure the concentrated effort of the Baptists of the State in the work of Home Missions, Foreign Missions and Ministerial Education, to which has been added the important work of Sabbath Schools. For the success which has attended the enterprises of this faithful and struggling band of brethren in their labors of sacrifice and love, in the advancement of truth, we have great cause for devout thankfulness.

In the Home Mission work our waste places have been built up, the desert has been changed into beautifully cultivated fields and the wilderness made to bloom as the rose. All over the State from northern to southern boundary, and from the seashore to the mountain summit, the benevolent influence of this organization through its missionaries has been felt. Zion has travailed and brought forth sons and daughters to the honor and glory of God. During the past year ten missionaries including the corres-

ponding secretary were employed. Their reports in the minutes of last session of the Convention are full of interest.

In the work of Foreign Missions few organizations have been more efficient. For many years it has contributed to the spread of the Gospel and carrying the words of life and salvation to the benighted heathen. Mission stations in China, the African Coast, Central Africa and the Isles of the sea have been aided by its board. Its light hath illuminated the dark places of the earth and inspired in the minds of those who sat in the region and shadow of death, the hope of immortality and life.

In this arm of service the convention is not now independent in its appropriations, but co-operates with, and is auxillary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Ministerial Education may be considered the most important work of the Convention. Without this the other interests must languish and die. We acknowledge the worth of many brethren in the ministry who have not received the advantages of a good common school education They have done and are now doing a great work. Many of them have been and are now fast friends of this board. We extend to them the hand of sympathy and encouragement, the more so because of the difficulties with which they have struggled. However much these have accomplished, and and may continue to accomplish, yet not only educated, but learned men, pious and truly converted to God are necessary for the conversion of the world and bringing it to the knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. Such men have always been necessary in carrying forward the purposes of God. Moses was learned in the schools of the Egyptians ere he became the leader of the host of Israel. Our Saviour in the choice of his disciples selected the classic historian Luke whose beautiful treatise is the masterpiece of evangelical work. Besides, they were all taught of God. When the schools of Philosophy were to be attacked and the superstitions of the Greek assailed, when it was necessary that the cross should flash its radiant glory upon the barbarian world, the scholarly Paul was chosen and commissioned the Apostle of the Gentiles to herald the gospel in the courts of Kings, and every opposer of divine revelation found in this great reasoner a zealous antagonist.

Ours is an age of progress. This is a period of activity. The developments of Science, the advancements of Art, stamp their impress on the century and will distinguish it in the annals of the world. Theories are being daily evolved; books are multiplying continually; periodicals are cheap, literature is broadcast. Hence intelligence, like the noon day sun lights up the hovels of the poor as well as the palaces of the rich.

He who is adorned with culture and refinement, however poor, is respected and admired, especially when these are combined with the christian graces, while the prince, though pandered to for his wealth, is despised if he be ignorant and weak.

Were we battling against ignorance only ours would be an easy task Nor are our only foes to be found in Infidelity, Atheism, Spiritualism and Paganism. Unfortunately we have to combat the views and opinions of those who are professed christians, who are as pious, as zealous, and as ready to engage in every good work as we are. Those who, though they possess so many of the christian characteristics, are living daily and continually in the neglect of the plainest precepts of the Gospel. It is much easier to convince the outright sinner of the necessity of conversion, than it is to convince one of his error when his life as a man of piety will compare favorably with ours.

A careful consideration of this subject will satisfy every true Baptist in regard to his duty in relation to the Board of Education, the primary object of the Convention.

During last year nine beneficiaries were supported by this board. If

this number can be supported each year we shall soon have an army of leaders.

Too much praise cannot be bestowed, nor too much thankfulness felt for the success which has attended the Sabbath School work. The prospect it affords is a pleasant one. Our labor here like bread upon the waters will be seen in days to come. The seed sown here falls in good ground and will produce an hundred fold.

The soldier stretched upon the battlefield and bleeding from a mortal wound dies contentedly amid the triumphant shouts of his comrades, as they victoriously pursue the fleeing enemy. So shall we, after having performed our work, happily and peacefully lie down and die with the consoling reflection that every thing we cherish is committed to a generation that has been reared in the love and fear of God.

We have here the assurance if we properly train our children in youth they will not forsake our instruction in after years. They should be taught as we sit in our houses, as we walk by the way, at night when we retire, and in the morning when we rise up.

Your committee would recommend the following:

WHEREAS this Association recognizes in the N. C. Baptist State Convention a powerful agency in the extension of the cause of Christ,

Therefore be it Resolved, That we pledge to it our co-operation and support in all its benevolent enterprises.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. GARRETT,
For Committee.

32. Elder Overby offers the following resolutions to be appended to the above report:

WHEREAS, We have tried, without an agent, to raise the quota of this Association for the endowment of Wake Forest College, during the past year, and

WHEREAS, The endowment of the College is a matter of exceeding great importance, therefore,

Resolved, That we will heartily approve the appointment by the Board of Trustees of an agent to prosecute this work in our bounds.

Resolved, That we will cordially co-operate with such agent when appointed.

33. On motion of Elder McDowell, so much of the report on Baptist State Convention as relates to Ministerial Education is taken up, and addresses are delivered by Prof. Mills and Elder Richardson.

34. The resolutions on Endowment are next taken up and discussed by Elders Overby, Hufham and Prof. Mills.

Pending the discussion, the hour for adjournment arrives.

35. The Association adjourns. Elder Williams leading in prayer.

36. The stand is supplied during the afternoon by Elder T. Harrison.

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 24th, 1877.

37. The Association convenes at 9½ o'clock. Prayer by Elder J. N. Hoggard.

38. The Committee to select Time, Place and Preachers for next Session, submit the following:

Place.—Shiloh, Camden county.
Time—Tuesday after second Sunday in May, 1878.
To Preach Introductory Sermon—Thos. G. Wood; Alternate, B. B. Williams.
To Preach Conventional Sermon—R. R. Savage; Alternate, J. N. Hoggard.

D. P. DAUGHTREY, *Ch'm'n.*

The report is adopted.

39. On motion of Elder Williams, Elder Brickhouse is allowed an opportunity to present the claims of Plymouth Church. The claims of the church are urged by Elders Luke, McDowell and Prof. Delke, and a collection of $28.39 is secured.

40. Elder C. L. Powell is allowed to present the claims of Williamston Church, in Martin County.

41. Bro. Langly Taylor offers the following:

Resolved, That Brethren A. Bass, Thos. Waff, J. P. Freeman, and D. P. Daughtrey, be requested to assist the Moderator in keeping order during the remainder of our session.

Adopted.

42. Brother T. B. Boushall submits the following:

REPORT ON FINANCE:

To balance on hand last report, ...	$101.81	
" present contributions, ...	142.00	
		$243.81
CR.		
By amount paid for printing minutes, 1876, ...	$ 76.00	
" " " " transcribing minutes 1876, ...	25.00	
		$101.00
Balance on hand, ...		$142.81

T. B. BOUSHALL,
M. GILLAM,
H. W. SCOTT,
Committee.

The report is adopted.

43. Prof. Delke reads the following:

Your Committee on S. S. Statistics beg leave to submit the following as a correct report, taken from church reports handed us by your Clerk:

1876.		1877.	
"	No. Schools, 73;	"	No. Schools 76, a gain of 3.
"	Officers and Teachers, 598;	"	Officers and Teach. 590, a loss of 8.
"	Average Attendance, 427¾;	"	Ave. Attend'ce, 444, a gain of 16¼.
"	No. Scholars, 3,511;	"	No. Scholars, 3,471, a loss of 40.
"	Average Attendance, 2,439;	"	Ave. Attend'ce, 2,526, a gain of 87.
"	Conversions, 211;	"	Conversions, 175, a loss of 36.
"	Vols. in Library, 4,124;	"	Vols. in Lib. 3,972, a loss of 152 vols.
"	No. Kind Words taken, 518;	"	No. Kind Words taken 392, a loss of 126.
"	Baptist Teacher's taken, 56;	"	Bap. Teach. taken, 44, a loss of 12.
"	Con. to S. S. Board, $71.55;	"	Con. to S. S. Board, $66.05, a loss of $5.50.
"	Con. to other objects, $429.07;	"	Con. to other objects, $292.86, a loss of $136.21.
"	Con. Total, $500.62;	"	Con. Total, $358.91, a loss of $141.72.
"	Schools open 12 months, 20;	"	Schools open 12 mos. 19, a loss of 1.
"	No. Churches report no School, 12;	"	No. Churches report no School, 8.

The report is adopted after addresses by Prof. Delke and Elder Babb.

44. The resolutions under discussion yesterday at adjournment, on Endowment, are taken up, and after discussion by Elder Williams, are adopted.

45. On motion of Brother Shaw, the motion for the adoption of the resolutions on Endowment, is reconsidered.

Elder Hoggard moves to amend them by striking out the words "Board of Trustees," and substituting "the Association."

The amendment is advocated by Elder Hoggard and Langly Taylor, and opposed by Brother M. Gillam and Elder Overby, and is lost.

The question recurring on the original resolutions, is unanimously adopted.

46. On motion of Elder Williams, Elder R. T. Vann is recommended to the Board of Trustees by the Association as a suitable agent for this work.

47. So much of the report on Baptist State Convention as

NOTE.—It is ascertained from the delegates that many of the schools have recently organized Missionary Societies on the Little Leader plan, and that others have it in contemplation—but no accurate information as to the number of members of the Societies, could be obtained. We hope that our statistics under this head will be full at our next report, as a column will be provided for it.—CLERK.

relates to State Missions is taken up. Elders Richardson and C. L. Powell address the Association.

48. The hour having arrived for the preaching of the Conventional Sermon, the Association suspends business.

Elder Babb preaches in the house, from Matt. 21 : 28.

Elder Richardson preaches in the grove at the same hour.

49. Brethren Shaw, Delke, J. S. Mitchell, L. Taylor, L. Cobb, T. D. Boone and R. P. Thomas constitute a committee to solicit contributions for the objects of the Convention.

They collect $52.15, which is ordered to be appropriated equally to Home and Foreign Missions.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 24th, 1877.

50. The Association re-assembles at 2 o'clock. Hymn "Jesus paid it all."

51. The remaining portion of the report on Baptist State Convention, that referring to Foreign Missions, is taken up and discussed by Elders Savage, McDowell, Huf ham, Profs. Mills and Delke.

The report is adopted.

52. On motion of Brother Shaw, speeches are limited to five minutes.

53. The Moderator appoints the following Standing Committees and Messengers to corresponding bodies :

On C. B. F. Institute—Jno. N. Hoggard, T. D. Boone, J. T. Fleetwood.

On Baptist State Convention—R. T. Vann, T. G. Wood, W. P. Taylor.

On Periodicals—B. B. Williams, Langly Taylor, W. L. Maget.

On Temperance—T. W. Babb, T. E. Waff, G. R. Eure.

CORRESPONDING MESSENGERS.

To Portsmouth (Va.) Association—A. McDowell, O. C. Horton, T. W. Babb.

To Eastern Association—R. R. Savage, A. D. Cohen, B. B. Williams.

To Baptist State Convention—All the ordained ministers within our bounds.

54. Elder Overby moves that the report on Statistics of Benevolence, being very imperfect, be withheld from publication in the minutes.

Brother Shaw opposes the motion, and offers an amend-

ment: That the report be published, and that a note be added explaining that the reports from the churches are incomplete.

The amendment prevails.

55. Elder C. L. Powell preaches in the grove at 3 P. M.

56. Bro. Daughtry makes the following

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee recognizing the truth that Temperance is one of the cardinal virtues of the religion of Christ, as evidenced by its classification with the blessed fruits of the Spirit, beg to recommend that this body at all its sessions, give to this subject due consideration, and that we use our best endeavors, as a christian body, to advance its interests, by making, and recommending to the churches to make, a vigorous warfare against the evils of intemperance, especially as seen in the sale and habitual use of ardent spirits among the Baptist brotherhood.

We are glad to report, and we heartily believe that we have abundant cause of gratitude to God for the good influence of that excellent organization, the "Good Templars," which is quietly and powerfully operating in favor of a reform of the evils of intemperance, and whilst we recognize the hand of God in this matter, we feel that the work as being carried on by that Institution deserves special mention and commendation from this body.

T. HARRISON, *Ch'm'n.*

Short speeches are made in connection with this subject by Brethren Gillam, Shaw, D. Gilliland, Elders Williams, Overby, Bailey, McDowell, Babb, Huf ham and Harrison.

The report is adopted.

57. Bro. Shaw offers the following resolutions of thanks:

1. That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to this church and congregation for the kindly welcome extended to the delegates and visitors.

2. That our thanks be returned to the rail road and steam boat companies for passing our delegates and visitors to and from the session at reduced rates.

The resolutions are adopted.

58. On motion, the Clerk is instructed to have 2,500 copies of the minutes printed and distributed.

59. The business of the session being completed, the Clerk reads the proceedings, and,

On motion, the Association adjourns.

60. Elder Overby leads the body in prayer, and the Moderator declares the Association adjourned.

G. C. MOORE, MODERATOR.

W. C. PARKER, Clerk.

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Vols. in Library.	No. Kind W'rds taken.	No. Baptist Teacher taken.	Other Papers	CONTRIBUTIONS. S. School Board.	Other Objects.	Total.	No. mos. Sch'l kept open.
Ahoskie,	1	Statistics not given,										$			
Ballard's Bridge	2	A. A Parish, Wardsville, H. Gifford, Small's	18	16	141	100		106		10	20				6
Berea,	2	J. Jennings, Philip Davis, E. City, [x Roads,	20	16	120	100					50				10
Bethel,	3	W. Myers, G. B. Fleetwood, J. C. Cullipher.	30	24	166	110	16	150	27				9 19	9 19	7
Bethlehem,	1	J. T. Cowand, Pitch Landing. [Hertford,	11	8	55	40		40				10 00	1 10	11 10	6
Buckhorn,	1	T. D. Boone, Riddicksville,	10	9	50	45			12						12
Capeharts,	1	H. H. Bowen, Merry Hill,					5	50							
Cashie,	1	J. J. Freeman, Windsor,	4	3	35	20		25							12
Cedar Branch,	1	W. E. Winn, Jamesville,	8	8	30	30									8
Colerain,	1	J. A. Northcut, Colerain,	10		65										6
Chappell's Hill,	1	F. Chappell, Belvidere,	9	6	70	30	4						2 16	2 16	12
Connaritsa,	4	J. H. Mitchell, Jr., Windsor, C. T. Jinkins, Lewiston, J. S. Mitchell, Winton, J. D. Todd, Windsor,	19	16	136	110		105							4
Cool Spring,	2	D. E. Riddick, Winton, M. L. Green, Gatlington,	6	6	54	34	17	32	15						7
Corinth,	1	A. Vann, Rich Square,	8	4	58	30		150							6
Dudley's Grove,	1	R. A. Cook, Winton,	3	3	30	12		22	12	5	2				4
Ebenezer,	1	W. W. Sawyer, South Mills,	9	6	60	40		140		16			29 00	29 00	12
Edenton,	1	A. D. Cohen, Edenton,	22	14	75	45		165			25	30 00		30 00	12
Elam,	1	B. A. Stephenson, Garysburg,	9	8	50	44	10	40					7 00	7 00	9
Elizabeth City,	2	J. S. Waugh, C. Harriss, E. City,	27	20	150	120	2	300	100				7 00	7 00	12
Galatia,	2	I. P. Parker, J. P. Barnes, Margarettsville,	11	9	63	41	3				4		5 70	5 70	8
Gatesville,	1	H. Hofler, Gatesville,	10	8	35	28		50							8
Great Hope,	1	E. Perry, Hertford,	9	5	26	25		120	6						6
Green's x Roads,	1	D. E. Cale, Windsor.	7	5	40	25									6
Harrellsville,	2	N. L. Shaw, J. P. Howell, Harrellsville,	11	11	89	70	1	50	20		1		20 00	22 00	12

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS---*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Vols. in Library.	No. KindWrds taken.	No. Baptist Teacher taken.	Other Papers	CONTRIBUTIONS. S. School Board.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Other Objects	CONTRIBUTIONS. Total.	No. months kept open.
Hebron,	..	No School,										$	$	$	
Hertford,	1	D. P. Daughtry, Hertford,	12	6	45	36		100	24			11 90	15 22	27 12	12
Holly Grove,	..	No School,													
Lawrence x R'ds	1	W. H. Smithwick, Sans Souci,	12	10	48	40		66							8
Macedonia,	1	James Bonner, Edenton,	7	4	46	24		50							6
Mars Hill,	2	H. A. Hobbs, S. M. Pearce, Colerain,	10		75	65	12	250	12				25 50	25 50	7
Meherrin,	1	D. A. Best, Murfreesboro',	4	4	25	20		50							6
Middle Swamp,	..	No School,													
Mt. Carmel,	1	L. D. Stephenson, Seaboard,	6	5	40	30	6	50							12
Mt. Pleasant,	1	W. L. Smith, Scuppernong,	6	5	26	20									
Mt. Tabor,	2	W. C. Parker and A. P. Parker, Murfreesboro',	14	12	110	90	10	180	28	2	20		36 65	36 65	12
Mt. Zion,	..	No Report,													
Murfreesboro,	2	A. McDowell, L. T. Spiers, Murfreesboro',	14	13	135	120	30		30	1	20	10 00	14 50	24 50	12
Piney Grove,	1	J. T. Waff, Reynoldson,	8	7	101	64			30	1			10 50	10 50	12
Pleasant Grove,	2	Wiley Dunning, Winton; Jno. Baum, St. Johns,	16	11	70	61	3	21	10						4
Plymouth,	1	R. P. Phelps, Plymouth,	9	7	20	15		100							8
Potecasi,	1	Jno. E. Maget, Potecasi,	7	7	90	60	2	40				1 15	9 50	10 65	12
Powell's Point,	2	Abner Gibson, Powell's Point,	9	7	45	30	9	60							7
Providence,	..	No Report,													
Ramoth Gilead,	1	J. S. Jones, Rose Dale,	10	9	77	60		100					9 27	9 27	12
Rehoboth,	..	No Report,													
Republican,	..	No School,													
Roanoke Island,	1	J. A. Etheridge, Manteo,	4	3	15	12									6
Robert's Chapel,	1	Jas. H. Edwards, Boykins, Va.,	6	4	30	20		25			15				6
Rocky Hock,	1	Edwin Byrum, Edenton,	15	10	112	70	18	250	16				10 00	10 00	12

Ross' Church,	2	J. N. White, K. White, Coleraine,	10	9	62	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem,	1	S. F. Spence, E. City,	14	12	84	75	4	150	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	12
Sandy Cross,	..	No School,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sandy Run,	2	J. C. Tynes, A. H. Pritchard, Roxabel,	10	8	75	60	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Sawyer's Creek,	1	G. D. B. Pritchard, Camden Court House,	16	12	90	50	...	150	...	...	...	...	60	82	60	82	12
Shady Grove,	1	D. West, Shingle Landing,	8	6	40	35	...	50	...	...	...	...	8	00	8	00	10
Sharon,	..	No School,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shiloh,	2	D. C. Burgess, Samuel Leary, Shiloh,	32	20	135	110	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Sound Side,	2	E. Hopkins, T. L. Gibson, Columbia,	17	17	67	60	17	225	...	...	...	1	00	...	1	00	7
Warwick,	1	Jas. E. Bunch, Gatesville,	4	4	40	35	...	35	...	4	...	...	2	00	2	00	8
Weldon,	..	No Report,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
White Oak,	..	No School,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Whiteville Gr've	2	John Turner, Belvidere; A. D. White, Windfall,	15	10	90	50	...	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Winton,	1	Jas. S. Mitchell, Winton,	10	7	50	35	1	125	28	4	2	...	9	75	9	75	12
Woodville,	..	No School,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yoppim,	3	W. B. Felton, M. H. Hughes, Edenton,	14	10	50	30	...	250	22	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
	76		590	444	3471	2526	175	3972	392	44	161	66	05	292	86	358	91	

STATISTICS OF BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.	White Membership.	White Male Membership.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR. State Missions.	Foreign Missions	Domestic and Indian Miss.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W. F. College.	Pastor's Salary	Church Expenses.	Other Objects.	PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	Association Fund.	TOTAL.
Ahoskie,	346	134	$3 71	$5 71	$....	$27 66	$....	$.....	$200 00	$50 00	$.....	$ ..	$....	$....	$.....	$ 5 00	$ 292 08
Ballard's Bridge,	523	182	10 75	10 75	... .	14 00	12 00	.....	125 00	60 00	67 15	.. .	.....	.....	.....	5 00	304 65
Berea,	249	98	7 00	....	....	.....	.....	.....	300 00	20 00	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	330 00
Bethel,	303	109	13 64	....	.....	13 86	... .	.....	225 00	25 00	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	4 50	284 00
Bethlehem,	211	73	12 17	....	....	.....	....	23 60	185 00	19 00	18 40	... .	3 60	.....	.....	3 00	264 77
Buckhorn,	112	37	3 00	....	.....	20 50	....	....	130 00	.. ..	93 00	.....	4 25	.....	... ..	2 00	252 75
Capehart's,	300	130	.....	5 00	..	4 82	.....	.....	150 00	26 15	8 25	5 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	201 22
Cashie,	216	80	7 88	6 88	... .	50 00	... .	.....	400 00	124 48	78 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	673 19
Cedar Branch,	60	16	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	... ..	100 00	33 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	134 00
Colerain,	325	89	. ...	....	.....	.....	.....	... ..	200 00	30 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 05	238 05
Chappell's Hill,	71	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	6 00	.....	3 26	3 26	.....	.....	1 00	33 52
Connaritsa,	284	100	3 00	5 25	....	8 00	... .	.....	130 00	17 50	.....	3 76	3 76	6 60	.....	4 00	181 87
Cool Spring,	256	80	.. .	7 50	.....	9 58	.....	.....	100 00	125 00	10 05	... .	.....	.....	.....	2 05	254 18
Corinth,	116	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	... ..	.....	.....	.....	1 50	1 50	.....	.....	2 00	5 00
Dudley's Grove,	90	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00	10 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	96 00
Ebenezer,	86	33	.....	.....	....	18 87	.....	.....	250 00	10 00	40 00	. ...	.....	.... ..	.....	1 50	320 37
Edenton,	127	37	.....	.....	... .	.....	30 00	.....	350 00	75 00	... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	457 00
Elam,	159	58	3 25	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400 00	420 00	75 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	3 00	905 25
Elizabeth City,	203	62	10 30	5 30	.....	6 55	....	.....	134 00	261 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	420 15
Galatia,	150	66	3 57	3 27	.....	1 70	... .	.....	79 87	41 72	21 54	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 55	153 22
Gatesville,	89	47	.....	....	.....	17 55	.....	... ..	100 00	85 00	2 75	.....	.....	2 75	.....	3 00	211 05
Great Hope,	68	27	4 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	43 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	100 00
Green's X Roads,	104	44	....	.....	.....	... ...	.....	.....	40 00	5 00	7 50	... .	3 00	.....	.....	1 50	57 00

Harrellsville,	58	32	4 00	3 00		19 00			200 00	825 00							2 00	1,053 00
Hebron,	145	74							120 00	15 00							2 00	1 37
Hertford,	59	20	29 02	37 40		25 63	11 90	21 00	275 00	25 00		4 50	2 75	4 30	11 90		1 50	449 90
Holly Grove,	86	28	10 00	17 50		29 00			125 00	10 00	35 00						1 50	228 00
Lawrence's X R'ds	48	26							36 00	5 00							1 00	42 00
Macedonia,	68	31	5 20						50 00	3 00							1 00	59 20
Mars Hill,	176	86		7 78		12 50			130 00	175 00	36 00			3 50			1 25	366 03
Meherrin,	272	108	9 50	5 50		8 35			175 00	17 00							3 00	218 35
Middle Swamp,	122	44							125 00	150 00							3 00	278 00
Mt. Carmel,	245	85	16 83	5 00		4 61		7 00	200 00	12 17	12 00						3 50	261 11
Mt. Pleasant,	78	24							100 00		31 85		5 00				2 00	138 85
Mt. Tabor,	184	71			1 55	3 20			130 00	65 00	20 00	3 55		4 20			3 00	230 50
Mt. Zion,*																		
Murfreesboro',	89	29	29 90	129 82		10 00		22 00	200 00	75 00	132 40						2 50	601 62
Piney Grove,	134	46	20 00						125 00	12 00	10 00		5 00				3 00	175 00
Pleasant Grove,	125	50			8 00	15 45			140 25	10 50		4 10	3 50	2 50			4 00	188 20
Plymouth,	36	15							75 00	10 00							1 25	86 25
Potecasi,	295	110	7 00			16 53			165 00	10 00			4 43				2 00	204 96
Powell's Point,	92	37							75 00	65 00							1 00	141 00
Providence,*																		
Ramoth Gilead,	166	63	6 00	6 00	24 00	36 00			300 00	125 00							3 00	500 00
Rehoboth,*																		
Republican,	277	93							128 00	60 00							3 00	191 00
Roanoke Island,	90	33							50 00	5 00							1 00	56 00
Robert's Chapel,	180	57	4 00	4 00		10 00			150 00	15 00	22 00	2 00	2 00				2 00	211 00
Rocky Hock,	306	128		10 67		22 38			150 00	10 50	50 92						3 00	247 47
Ross' Church	431	148							100 00	25 05			11 00				3 00	139 05
Salem,	158	60	10 00	3 25		20 00			125 00	10 00							2 50	170 75
Sandy Cross	317	100	13 54			16 50			200 00		17 35						3 00	250 39
Sandy Run,	235	75							150 00	30 00		8 13	8 12				2 00	198 25
Sawyer's Creek,	365	108	16 82	5 50	11 50	10 15			360 00	40 00							4 00	447 97
Shady Grove,	85	25			3 00	5 50			150 00					10 00			1 50	170 00
Sharon,	29	10															1 25	1 25
Shiloh,	414	143				42 00		1,000 00	250 00	100 00							3 00	1,395 00
Sound Side,	142	56							90 00	25 00							2 00	117 00

STATISTICS OF BENEVOLENCE---*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	White Membership.	White Male Membership.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR.. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic and Indian Miss.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	W. F. College.	Pastor's Salary	Church Expenses.	Other Objects.	PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS. State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	Association Fund.	TOTAL.
Warwick,.....	172	63	$6 00	$5 00	$...	$...	$....	$..	$ 75 00	$10 00	$....	$....	$....	$.....	$....	$ 2 10	$ 98 10
Weldon, *.. ...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	... ..	.. ..	.....	....	.....	.....	.. ..	... .
White Oak,.....	55	20	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	50 00	5 00	2 20	... .	....	.....	.....	1 00	58 20
Whiteville Grove,	218	70	....	.....	... .	.....	.....	.....	150 00	20 00	17 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	2 00	192 00
Winton,....	96	46	.....	8 05	....	3 46	.....	5 01	138 00	39 04	34 44	....	.....	. ....	.....	2 00	230 00
Woodville,.....	30	15	5 00	.....	.....	. ..	.....	... ..	100 00	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	50	105 50
Yeoppim,.....	152	67	16 00	... .	.....	.... .	.....	.....	150 00	25 00	20 00	.....	....	.....	.....	2 00	213 00
63			$291 08	$300 13	$ 48 05	$ 503 35	$ 53 90	$1078 61	$ 9054 12	$3523 61	$ 874 75	$ 38 70	$ 67 17	$ 33 85	$ 11 90	$ 142 00	$ 16,020 22

Amount sent up by Yoppim Union Meeting for Foreign Missions,.. ... . 13 56

" " " " " " " State Missions,..... ..... 2 34

" contributed during the session not elsewhere reported,..... 83 00

$16,119 12

* No report.

The above table is as accurate as can be compiled from the reports of the churches, but a great many of the churches failed to make full reports of the amounts contributed. It is suggested that the Clerks keep a record of all amounts contributed during the year, and then an accurate annual report can be made with ease.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Number.	CHURCHES.	LOCATION AND DATE OF CONSTITUTION.	SABBATHS OF PREACHING	Additions.			Diminutions.			White Males.	White Females.	Total Whites	Colored.	Total.	PASTOR
				Baptisms.	Letters.	Restorations.	Letters.	Exclusion	Deaths.						
1	Ahoskie,	Hertford, 1812,	4th,	26	5	4	13	6	5	134	212	346	....	346	R. R. Savage,
2	Ballard's Bridge,	Chowan, 1781,	2nd,	50	2	6	13	5	8	182	341	523	16	539	West Leary,
3	Berea,	Pasquotank, 1856,	2nd,	35	....	4	5	2	1	98	151	249	..	249	J. M. C. Luke
4	Bethel,	Perquimans, 1806,	3rd,	42	6	8	10	8	3	109	194	303	....	303	B. B. William
5	Bethlehem,	Hertford, 1835,	3rd,	11	2	2	10	4	4	73	138	211	4	215	J. N. Hoggard
6	Buckhorn	Hertford, 1835,	2nd & 4th,	....	....	..	2	....	1	37	75	112	7	119	R. R. Savage
7	Capehart's,	Bertie, 1824,	3rd,	21	1	5	9	....	7	130	170	300	6	306	T. G. Wood,
8	Cashie	Bertie 1778,	1st & 3rd,	3	3	....	13	2	6	80	136	216	14	230	A. D. Cohen,
9	Cedar Branch,	Martin, 1869,	1st,	10	1	3	3	4	2	16	44	60	....	60	B. F. Barber,
10	Colerain,	Bertie, 1789,	3rd,	....	4	3	25	7	2	89	236	325	4	329	T. W. Babb,
11	Chappell's Hill,	Perquimans, 1869,	4th,	10	3	....	2	....	1	25	46	71	1	72	W. Askew,
12	Connaritsa,	Bertie, 1789,	3rd,	1	11	....	3	10	2	100	184	284	2	286	J. Bunch,
13	Cool Spring,	Gates, 1826,	1st,	32	....	1	....	1	4	80	176	256	....	256	J. P. Lee,
14	Corinth,	Northampton, 1854	2nd,	2	....	....	2	3	1	26	90	116	....	116	H. B. Parker,
15	Dudley's Grove,	Hertford, 1872,	1st,	2	....	....	4	1	2	38	52	90	....	90	H. B. Parker,
16	Ebenezer,	Camden, 1829,	2nd & 4th,	..	2	....	....	2	..	33	53	86	....	86	R. R. Overby
17	Edenton,	Chowan, 1817,	2nd & 4th,	....	3	1	4	4	1	37	90	127	....	127	A. D. Cohen,
18	Elam,	Northampton, 1844,	2nd & 4th,	20	3	3	3	3	1	58	101	159	....	159	V. I. Anson,
19	Elizabeth City,	Pasquotank, 1786,	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	1	9	1	....	7	..	62	141	203	....	203	J. M. C. Luke
20	Galatia,	Northampton, 1859,	2nd & 4th,	13	....	.....	5	3	2	66	84	150	....	150	W. L. Maget,
21	Gatesville,	Gates. 1854,	3rd,	....	2	....	2	....	....	47	42	89	..	89	J. P. Lee,
22	Great Hope,	Perquimans, 1869,	1st,	....	1	.....	6	6	....	27	41	68	....	68	West Leary,
23	Green's X Roads,	Bertie. 1874,	3rd,	4	....	....	11	2	1	44	60	104	....	104	J. W. White,
24	Harrellsville,	Hertford, 1875,	4th,	....	22	....	1	....	..	32	26	58	....	58	T. G. Wood,
25	Hebron,	Northampton, 1856,	3rd,	10	....	1	18	1	..	74	71	145	....	145	H. B. Parker,
26	Hertford,	Perquimans, 1854,	1st & 3rd,	....	5	....	1	1	2	20	39	59	....	59	T. Harrison,
27	Holly Grove,	Bertie, 1804,	1st,	2	1	2	3	1	2	28	58	86	14	100	J. Bunch,
28	Lawrence's X R'ds	Bertie, 1875,	1st,	....	2	....	4	1	1	26	22	48	....	48	Edward Pear
29	Macedonia,	Chowan, 1850,	3rd,	....	....	1	9	2	....	31	37	68	....	68	West Leary,
30	Mars Hill,	Bertie, 1854,	4th,	38	18	4	2	3	3	86	90	176	....	176	J. Bunch,
31	Meherrin	Hertford, 1773,	1st,	12	6	....	8	....	4	108	164	272	19	291	J. N. Hoggar
32	Middle Swamp,	Gates, 1806,	2nd,	....	..	....	3	3	1	44	78	122	....	122	T. W. Babb,
33	Mt. Carmel,	Northampton, 1823,	4th,	26	2	1	6	2	4	85	160	245	1	246	J. N. Hoggar
34	Mt. Pleasant,	Washington, 1850,	3rd,	..	1	1	....	.	1	24	54	78	....	78	W. P. Jorda
35	Mt. Tabor,	Hertford, 1839,	3rd,	16	....	1	6	2	5	71	113	184	7	191	R. R. Savage
36	Mt. Zion,	Tyrrell, 1852,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
37	Murfreesboro',	Hertford, 1842,	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th,	.....	....	....	14	4	..	29	60	89	....	89	A. McDowell
38	Piney Grove,	Gates. 1827,	4th,	....	6	....	....	6	3	46	88	134	2	136	T. W. Babb,
39	Pleasant Grove,	Hertford, 1837,	2nd,	....	7	1	2	2	4	50	75	125	..	125	B. B. Willia
40	Plymouth,	Washington, 1868,	3rd & 4th,	....	3	....	4	....	....	15	21	36	..	36	L. C. Brickh
41	Potecasi,	Northampton, 1808,	2nd,	9	3	1	1	2	3	110	185	295	10	305	J. N. Hoggar
42	Powell's Point,	Currituck, 1804,	3rd & 4th,	18	1	1	....	3	2	37	55	92	....	92	H. G. Peed,
43	Providence,	Currituck, 1828,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
44	Ramoth Gilead,	Pasquotank, 1808,	4th,	1	1	....	2	10	5	63	103	166	....	166	R. R. Overby
45	Rehoboth,	Currituck, 1873,	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
46	Republican,	Bertie, 1834,	2nd,	16	3	3	4	5	3	93	184	277	10	287	J. Bunch,
47	Roanoke Island,	Dare, 1808,	1st & 3rd,	2	....	1	....	9	....	33	57	90	....	90	W. Hayes,
48	~~Robert's Chapel,~~	~~Northampton, 1848,~~	~~1st,~~	~~5~~	~~2~~	.....	~~3~~	~~2~~	~~3~~	~~57~~	~~122~~	~~179~~	~~30~~	~~209~~	~~R. R. Savage~~
49	Rocky Hock,	Chowan, 1835,	1st,	31	7	6	5	4	3	128	178	306	7	313	B. B. Willia
50	Ross' Church	Bertie, 1804,	4th,	35	3	6	4	5	6	148	283	431	2	433	T. Hoggard,
51	Salem,	Pasquotank, 1790,	1st,	15	3	5	....	4	1	60	98	158	..	158	W. P. Jorda
52	Sandy Cross,	Gates, 1828,	1st,	....	2	....	2	1	3	100	217	317	....	317	T. W. Babb,
53	Sandy Run,	Bertie, 1750,	4th,	7	3	....	5	2	2	75	160	235	2	237	T. J. Rookh
54	Sawyer's Creek,	Camden, 1790,	2nd & 4th,	10	5	10	2	12	5	108	257	365	....	365	O. C. Horton
55	Shady Grove,	Currituck, 1828,	3rd,	....	2	.....	2	1	....	25	60	85	..	85	O. C. Horton
56	Sharon,	Tyrrell, 1869,	1st,	4	1	....	.	....	....	10	19	29	1	30	L. C. Brickh
57	Shiloh,	Camden, 1727,	1st & 3rd,	12	6	4	1	30	5	143	271	414	....	414	R. R. Overby
58	Sound Side,	Tyrrell, 1853,	2nd,	33	....	4	1	3	1	56	86	142	....	142	W. P. Jorda
59	Warwick,	Chowan, 1860,	3rd,	....	6	....	1	2	2	63	109	172	....	72	T. Speight,
60	Weldon,	Halifax, ——	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
61	White Oak,	Bertie, 1856,	3rd,	7	....	....	1	1	1	20	35	55	2	57	B. F. Barber
62	Whiteville Grove,	Perquimans, 1851,	2nd,	9	2	....	2	2	2	70	148	218	....	218	T. W. Babb,
63	Winton,	Hertford, 1873,	2nd,	4	4	....	5	....	....	46	50	96	.....	96	T. G. Wood,
64	Woodville,	Perquimans, 1873,	2nd,	9	1	....	2	....	....	15	15	30	....	30	T. Harrison,
65	Yeoppim,	Chowan, 1775,	4th,	2	5	....	9	8	2	67	85	152	8	160	B. B. Willia
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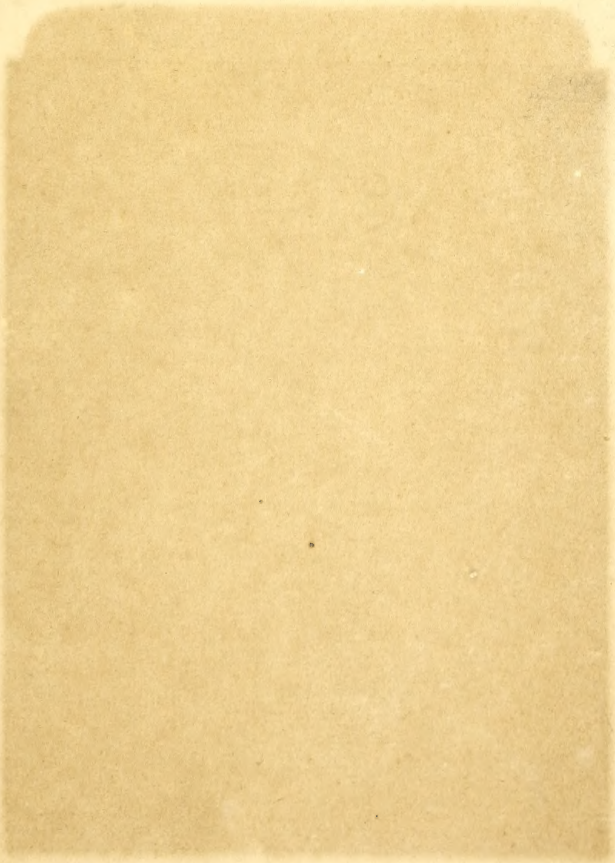
TOR.	CLERKS.	ASSISTANT CLERKS.	PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON.	TEXT.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership.	Contributions.
aw,	Lemuel Burkitt,	James Ross,	John Wall,	Luke xxiv: 36,	18	55	1,750	£ 12 12s0d
aw,	Lemuel Burkitt,	James Ross,	Martin Ross,	1 Cor. xiv: 40,	19	68	1,947	9 12 6
aw,	Aaron Spivey,	James Ross,	James Ross	Songs viii: 5,	20	80	1,768	12 16 0
aw,	John Hamilton,	James Wright,	James Nowell,	1 Cor. xii: 13,	21	62	1,780	12 5 0
aw,	Aaron Spivey,	William Dossey,	Aaron Spivey,	Hag. i: 7,	22	64	1,756	16 0 0
y,	Richard Poindexter,		Richard Poindexter,	Psalms xcii: 12,	23	158	1,789	16 0 0
y,	James Wright,		James Wright,	1 Peter xi: 7,	23	139	1,253	16 10 0
aw,	James Wright,		John Brice,	2 Tim. iv: 2,	23	115	1,843	11 12 6
y,	James Wright,	William Spence,	James Wright,	Cant. ii: 9,	23	185	1,919	$ 35 00
aw,	James Wright,	David Pritchard,	Nathaniel Pruden	Songs ii: 10-12,	23	71	1,916	34 50
aw,	James Wright,	John Wheeler,	James Ross,	Nahum i: 7,	23	68	1,820	34 50
aw,	James Wright,	John Wheeler,	Martin Ross,	Heb. ii: 13,	22	138	2,013	39 00
wnrigg,	James Wright,	Thomas Meredith,	Luther Rice,	Psalms viii: 4,	22	123	1,756	32 00
wnrigg,	Thomas Meredith,		John Rowe,	Isaiah lv: 5,	22	70	1,755	45 00
wnrigg,	James Wright,		Aaron Spivey,	Heb. xii: 1-2,	22	75	1,566	36 00
aw,	James Wright,	Elder Newbern,	Martin Ross,	Judges viii: 4,	22	54	1,745	33 50
wnrigg,	James Wright,	Edward Wood,	Aaron Spivey,	Mark xiii: 27,	22	55	1,756	32 50
aw,	James Wright,	Hardy Cobb,	Martin Ross,	1 Chron. xii: 32,	23	227	1,952	39 00
aw,	James Wright,	John Peelee,	John Harrell,	Zech. xiii: 1,	24	351	2,236	40 00
aw,	James Wright,	Simon Turner,	Jere. Etheridge,	John vii: 56,	25	964	3,134	44 50
	James Wright,	James G. Hall,	W. H. Jordan,	1 John i: 18,	26	294	3,023	46 50
	James Wright,	James G. Hall,	John Harrell,	Mark i: 15,	26	32	3,192	40 50
nt,	James G. Hall,	Edmund Hoskins,	James Wright,	Cant. iv: 12,	28	246	3,200	47 62
nt,	James G. Hall,	John Peelee,	James Ross,	Rev. xxi: 24,	29	284	3,381	45 50
	James G. Hall,	John Peelee,	Reuben Lawrence,	Mat. vi: 33,	30	110	3,160	46 50
	James G. Hall,	S. J. Wheeler, A. Spivey,	G. M. Thompson,	1 Cor. x: 4,	32	191	3,282	50 00
lan,	James G. Hall,	A. Spivey,	Thomas Meredith,	Heb xi: 6,	31	414	3,285	47 82
	A. J. Spivey,		G. M. Thompson,	Isaiah xlii: 11,	31	597	3,765	56 00
l,	A. J. Spivey,		John Harrell,	Rev. xix: 9,	33	190	3,815	56 42
lan,	A. J. Spivey,	Wm. Darden,	Q. H. Trotman,	1 John iii: 2,	34	122	3,664	52 50
	John Pecle,	James Pruden,	Reuben Lawrence,	Isaiah lx: 1,	38	218	3,294	54 00
	James L. Grimes,	R. B. Cobb,	G. M. Thompson,	Heb. xiii: 1,	38	111	3,484	51 50
	S. J. Wheeler,		A. M. Craig,	John x: 24,	38	466	3,828	55 20
	S. J. Wheeler,		Henry Speight,	Malachi iii: 16-17,	38	238	3,956	48 50
	S. J. Wheeler,	A. W. Darden, S. T. Bond,	Evans Forbes,	Mat. vii: 12,	40	392	4,368	56 20
	S. J. Wheeler,	C. Salstonstall, Wm. Darden,	R. Lawrence,	1 Cor xv: 58,	40	541	4,818	57 50
	S. J. Wheeler,	Q. H. Trotman, Dr. Tillybridge,	G. M. Thompson,	Acts iv: 13,	42	609	5,140	65 25
	S. J. Wheeler,	S. T. Bond,	Q. H. Trotman,	1 Peter i: 5,	42	1329	5,783	65 50
	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew, S. T. Bond,	John Nowell,	Mark iii: 35,	42	410	6,485	62 50
	R. B. Cobb, *pro tem.*,	Elder Waff, A. W. Darden,	Thowas Waff,	Gal. v: 25,	42	332	6,433	69 75
	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew, S. T. Bond,	G. M. Thompson,	Psalms cxxxvii: 5-6,	42	378	6,470	69 75
	S. J. Wheeler,	S. T. Bond, W. D. Pritchard,	D. Sanderlin,	Phil. i: 8-10,	43	591	6,330	1,036 36
	S. J. Wheeler,		J. G. Barkly,	1 Cor. xv: 50,	43	1005	7,755	71 70
	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew, W. D. Pritchard,	R. H. Trotman,	Mark xvi: 15,	45	792	7,901	84 00
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, S. T. Bond,	M. R. Fory,	1 Cor. iii: 12-13,	45	545	7,981	69 [illegible]
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, S. T. Bond,	Aaron Jones,	Col. i: 14,	47	644	7,970	90 [illegible]
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, J. B. Morgan,	W. P. Britton, Jr.,	1 Cor. ix: 13-14,	43	956	9,960	92 50
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, G. W. Johnson,	W. M. Wingate,	Acts ii: 44-46,	43	553	9,031	90 50
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, T. C. Skinner,	J. B. Taylor,	John ix: 4,	44	658	8,957	93 00
	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew,	L. M. Carter,	Psalms cxxxvii: 5-6,	47	606	10,057	98 00
	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew,	J. L. Pritchard,	Romans iii: 21-26,	48	542	9,512	92 50
	S. J. Wheeler,	S. T. Bond,	T. H. Pritchard,	Matthew x: 31,	51	1012	9,958	100 00
	S. J. Wheeler,	J. D. Boushall W. W. Knight,	Elder Weatherln,	John iii: 13-14,	52	515	10,977	102 00
	S. J. Wheeler,	A. J. Askew. W. J. Freeman,	Q. H. Trotman,	Matthew xvi: 18,	52	871	10,586	99 55
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. D. Pritchard, Wm. Darden,	W. W. Kone,	1 Thess. ii: 13:15,	52	837	10,811	106 50
	S. J. Wheeler,	R. D. Simpson, H. C. Edwards,	T. J. Knapp,	Jer. i: 17,	53	625	11,054	85 50
	John Mitchell,	J. D. Barnes,	B. B. Williams,	Heb v: 9,	53	41	11,034	41 00
	John Mitchell,	J. D. Barnes, K. C. Edwards,	R. B. Jones,	1 John i: 7,	52	106	10,669	173 50
	S. J. Wheeler,		R. R. Overby,	Mark xii: 34,	52	625	9,436	316 00
	S. J. Wheeler,		R. B. Jones,	1 Peter i: 23,	52	596	10,674	386 30
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,	John Mitchell,	Romans iii: 21,	53	723	10,525	149 21
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,	R. R. Overby,	Ex. xiv: 14-15,	52	922	10,206	18,154 93
	S. J. Wheeler,	W. C. Parker, A. Bass,	J. M. C. Luke,	Jer. xvii: 9,	53	327	10,725	13,925 14
	W. C. Parker,	A. J. Cobb,	J. D. Hufham,	Matthew viii: 11,	56	612	9,705	7,751 85
	W. C. Parker,	A. Bass, W. H. Powell,	John Mitchell,	Acts ix: 31,	57	468	9,898	14,102 84
	W. C. Parker,	A. J. Cobb, W. H. Riddick,	T. J. Knapp,	Josh. xxiii: 36,	56	567	9,436	12,589 53
	W. C. Parker,	A. J. Cobb, L. W. Babb,	R. R. Savage,	Romans vii: 6,	58	820	10,251	15,002 23
	W. C. Parker,	N. L. Shaw,	T. W. Babb,	Isaiah lxii: 1,	58	421	9,661	15,911 97
	W. C. Parker,	L. D. L. Parker,	John Mitchell,	John xvi: 12-15,	62	435	9,612	21,59[illegible] 25
	N. L. Shaw, *pro tem.*,	T. E. Waff,	A. D. Cohen,	Romans iii: 12-15,	64	791	9,064	14,7[illegible] 08
y	W. C. Parker,	A. M. Darden, N. L. Shaw,	B. B. Williams,	2 Tim. iii: 5,	65	759	10,098	14,9[illegible]
	W. C. Parker,	T. D. Boone,